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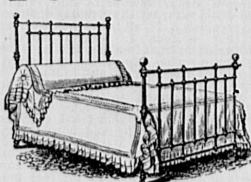
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—Rev. F. B. Hornbrook preached last

Sunday morning in Springfield.

—Spoons of all grades from one cent

each up to five dollars, at Arthur Hudson's,

Nonantum square.

—Dr. Shinn spoke before the Ministerial

Union at its meeting in Boston, Monday

morning.

—Mr. Moses R. Emerson has been elected

chairman of the New England Bureau of

United Inspection.

—Mr. Arthur I. Franklin will be in

charge of the young people's meeting at

Eliot church, next Sunday evening.

—The young son of Mr. Albert Tead of

Fayette street has recovered from a recent

severe illness.

—Mr. Frank H. Bart of Charlesbank

road has been in Springfield, Mass., and

Washington, D. C., on a business trip.

—Mr. George T. Coppins of Centre street

has been chosen a vice president of the

National Association of Manufacturers.

—Mrs. Peter C. Brooks is president of the

South End Diet Kitchen in Boston,

having been recently elected to that office.

—The Freedman's Aid Sewing Circle

was entertained at the home of Mrs. Joshua

W. Davis on Centre street, yesterday after-
noon.

—Mrs. Katharine Lente Stevenson spoke

at the seventh anniversary of the West Rox-
bury W. C. T. U., held last Wednesday in

the South Evangelical church.

—Mr. Joshua W. Davis of Centre street

has been elected treasurer of the board of

trustees of Emphrates College, situated in

Harport, Eastern Turkey.

—Thursday evening of next week will

be held the monthly sociable at the Immanuel

Baptist church. The committee includes

Mr. Sheppard, Mrs. Brigham and Mrs. Mc-

Nichol.

—In the parlors of the Eliot church,

Tuesday afternoon, there was a meeting of

the Woman's Association. Mrs. Martin

was the speaker, and gave a very interest-

ing address.

—In the vestry of the Methodist church

last Tuesday afternoon, there was a meet-

ing of the Junior League, a society com-

posed of young people connected with the

church.

—There will be the usual meeting of the

Business Men's Class at Eliot church next

Sunday noon. The subject will be "The

Higher Criticism, what is it? Its uses and

abuses." The speaker will be Rev. Dr.

Davis.

—At the meeting of the Young Ladies

Missionary Society in the Eliot church par-

lors, Wednesday afternoon, the question of

the possibilities of missionary work as an

outcome from the recent war with Spain

was considered.

—Apples are rather expensive luxuries,

now, unless one buys one of those gallo-

ping cans of Baldwins, sold by G. P. Atkins for

25 cents. Many housekeepers have tried

them and find them very satisfactory, and

about half the price of the green fruit.

—The old underwriting firm of J. E.

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material change of name or companies.

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viving members of the late senior partner,

and his interest will continue for Mrs.

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—Complaint was received last Sunday

evening by the police of division 2, that a

number of women had been frightened and

insulted by a man near the corner of

Waverley avenue and Kenrick street. In

one instance the woman was of some dis-

tance and was obliged to take refuge in

a house. The man is described as tall and

slender, dressed in dark clothes and a dark

berby hat.

—Music at Grace church Sunday evening:

Processional, "Christ is our Cornerstone." Parker

Magnificat. Cruikshank

Nunc Dimittis. Simpson

Antiphon, "I've love me." Gounod

Retrospective, "O Thou that broodest o'er

the waters deep." G. M. Shinn

Seats free.

—Music in Eliot church next Sunday:

MOUNING.

Organ Prelude, Andantino in D flat. Lemare

Antiphon, Jubilate in A. Bach

Quartet, "Jesus, my cross have

taken." Schaecker

Soprano Solo, "There is a green hill." Bach

EVENING.

Organ Prelude, Vision.

Selections from the Oratorio "Elijah." Bibb

Tenor Solo, "Ye people, rend your hearts."

Bass Solo, "If it is enough."

Recit. "See how he sleepeth."

Angels Chorus, "Lift thine eyes."

Chorus, "He watching over Israel."

Contralto Solo, "Woe unto him."

Quartet, "O come, every one that thirsteth."

Soprano Solo, "Hear Ye Israel."

Chorus, "Be not afraid."

Organ Selections (at the close of service.)

Pastorale. First Sonata. Gullmunt

Finale.

—Mrs. Whiting and Miss Whiting had a

narrow escape Wednesday morning, from a

serious runaway accident. One of their

horses was feeling very frisky on account

of the cold weather, and kicked over the

pole, frightening both horses so that the

coachman lost control of them. Dr. Wins-

low happened to see the runaway coming

and rushing into the street grabbed the

horses by the bridle, and after being

dragged some distance brought them to a

stand. Mrs. Whiting was quite overcome

by the fright, and was assisted into Bar-

ber's store, where the coachman was sent

home for another carriage, and the broken

one was sent to the repair shop. Dr. Wins-

low's courage and skill in stopping the

horses undoubtedly prevented a serious ac-

cident.

—Dr. E. B. Hitchcock is much improved

in health.

—Dr. Shinn returned Saturday from a

trip to Philadelphia.

—Miss McClellan of Franklin street is

reported as much improved.

—Mrs. E. Billings is reported as re-

covering from her recent illness.

—Mr. George F. Hunt of Richardson

street is reported as much improved.

—Mr. Frank A. Shinn, who has been

quite ill, is reported much improved.

—Mrs. E. B. Hoff of Waban street is

much improved after her recent illness.

—Chester Guild, Jr., of Sargent street,

has recovered from his recent illness.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bliss have re-

turned from their visit at Staten Island.

—Rev. W. H. Davis, D. D., preached at

Wellesley College last Sunday morning.

—Mr. H. R. Viets of Hollis street has re-

turned from a recent western business

trip.

—Hon. W. P. Ellison has been elected

clerk and a director of the Arlington Mills

Corporation.

—Dr. and Mrs. Stubbs of Centre street

will entertain the whist club next Wednes-

day evening.

—Next Monday evening the fourth quar-

terly conference of the Methodist church

will be held at the church.

—Miss Katie Croft has returned to her

duties at Harrington's news store after a

The Closing of the Circuit.

By MORGAN ROBERTSON.

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"While my child lives and I am here to teach him he will not know the meaning of the words light, color and darkness. He will grow up ignorant of his condition and will be educated from expurgated books for the blind. I shall be his teacher and as far as is in my power shall lighten his curse."

So said Lieutenant Braisted, retired naval officer, to the physicians who had examined the expressionless blue eyes of his infant son. "No hope," they had said. The trouble was with the optic nerve or the inner connection with the brain. He would never know light from darkness, though the eye, being well nourished, would grow with the body and retain its color.

The wife and mother had died in giving birth to the little one, and as there were no solicitous relatives on either side to interfere the doubly afflicted man was free to educate his child as he wished. He erected a high wall around his property, gave emphatic notice to the villagers to keep out, and retired into the darkened world of his son. While none of the villagers approved of his plan few cared to question or openly criticize the stern, iron faced man who occasionally appeared on the streets, and in time, as they died off or moved away, the strange existence unfolding within those high walls was forgotten.

The child grew healthy and strong. With his father for teacher and a few trusted servants his only companions he passed his childhood and early youth and was educated as the blind, with this difference—nothing was taught him that in his father's judgment would lead him into inquiry as to his true condition. His four remaining senses became abnormally keen. He heard distant sounds that the others could not detect, could taste an odor in the air, and could feel, besides colors, the faintest of shadows on the wall, which latter changing phenomena were given him as uncertain attributes of heat.

In him, too, developed to a remarkable degree what has been called the magnetic sense, which enables the blind to distinguish the proximity of a solid object or an open space. So strong was this perception that he needed no cane to traverse at a run the rooms and passages of the house or the winding paths of the garden. And to reduce the list of emergent words and because in a measure it did the work of his missing sense to this faculty was given the name sight. Hence he would say that he "saw" something when he merely meant that he felt its presence.

To the extent that he was influenced by external impressions he was happy, but instincts within him, aided by maturing reasoning power, became as he neared manhood fruitful causes of suspicion. The sounds beyond the garden wall, the making of his clothes by some one unknown to him, the occasional presence of silent men who worked quickly with tools and made changes in doors and passages, the continuous supply of food from without and the great front door, locked from his earliest remembrance, were problems to his now logical mind that he would solve. They indicated the existence of a sphere of action far beyond his present environment. He tortured his father with speculations one day, and his education stopped.

"I have taught him too much," groaned the unhappy man. "I started wrong. I should have made him deaf and dumb before I began."

The father took refuge in direct deceit, ascribing some of the phenomena which troubled the boy to the Great Unknown, others to the wisdom and experience of other men, who would all come to him in time. He thus temporarily eliminated all factors but one—that of the locked front door—and could only meet the boy's demand to be allowed passage through by a downright refusal. The result was a stormy scene.

The father retired to his study, sorrowing over the first harsh words he

on top of the wall pulled up a ladder, lowered it and clambered down.

"You're not polite. You might have helped me," she said, with a coquettish flirt of her curls as she faced the immovable boy. "What's your— Oh, I didn't know! I'm so sorry."

Tears came to her eyes and a look of womanly pity swept over her childish face. She had seen his expressionless, half closed eyes.

"Sorry? What for?" he asked. "Sorry you came? I'm glad. Who are you?" He passed his hand lightly over her shoulders and face.

"I'm sorry for you. I didn't know you were blind. Indeed I didn't."

"Blind? What is that. Why, you are a boy like me, aren't you? But your hair is dark, while mine is light. How old are you? I am 18."

"No, I'm not a boy," she answered indignantly. "I thought you were blind, but you can see my hair. You mustn't handle me like this, you mustn't. I'll go back."

He felt that he had offended her, and instinctively—for entertaining visitors as well as a perilous knowledge of another sex had not been included in his curriculum—he became deferential and invited her to sit down. She did so at a safe distance, which he respected.

"Nice evening, isn't it?" she said, breaking the embarrassing silence; but before he could answer this puzzling remark she went on:

"What ails your eyes? What makes you keep them half closed?"

"I don't know. Do I?" He felt of them, opened them wide and turned his face toward her. She was struck again by their indefinable lack of expression. "Tell me about yourself," he resumed.

"Where did you come from?"

"Oh, I don't live here," said the maiden. "I'm just visiting Aunt Mary and thought I'd climb the fence. I don't live anywhere. I've been aboard papa's ship all my life. He's coming for me tonight, because we sail tomorrow. We're going to Shanghai this voyage."

This was unintelligible, but from the list of strange words he selected one and asked what a ship was.

"Why, don't you know? A vessel square rigged on all three masts. The Franklyn carries double to gallant sails and skysail yards. Papa says he'll try her with stunsails next voyage."

"I never learned of these things," said the boy. "You say you live in a ship. Is it a house, with a garden—like this?"

"Oh, the idea! No," she laughed merrily, but the laugh changed to a little scream. "There's a caterpillar," she said. "Take it away! Quick! Knock it off! Ugh!" She sprang toward him.

"On my dress!" she exclaimed.

"What? Where? What is it?" he answered, reaching out both hands in the vacant air. His knowledge of caterpillars was nearly as limited as his knowledge of dresses. She brushed the creeping thing away with her handkerchief, and sitting down composed herself—much as a bird smooths its ruffled feathers—then looked intently at the sightless eyes of the boy, staring straight over her head.

"What was it?" he asked. "What hurt you?"

"Nothing. It's all right now. You are blind, aren't you?" she said gently.

"I don't know," he answered, a little impatiently. "You said that before. What does 'blind' mean?"

"Why, you can't see."

"Yes, I can."

"But your eyes were wide open and you didn't see the caterpillar. It was right under your nose too."

"I don't see with my nose. And what difference does it make if my eyes were open? What are they good for any way?"

"To see with, of course. Didn't you know?"

"To see with? Eyes are good to see with? Do you see with your eyes?"

"Yes. Didn't you really know what eyes were for? Didn't you know that they were to see with. Couldn't you see when you were little?"

"Not with my eyes. I see with something inside of me—a sort of consciousness of things. How do you see with your eyes? What is it like? I thought I was the same as other people."

"Why," answered the girl, with a little quaver in her voice, "we see the sky and the sun and stars and flowers and people and houses and—and— Oh, we see everything—that is, in daytime! In the night we can't see because it's dark."

"How far away can you see with your eyes?" asked the boy eagerly. "I can see six feet."

"Oh, we can see miles and miles! We can see everything in front of us."

"And is every one that way but me?"

"Most every one. There are a few blind people. But tell me," said the girl, wiping her eyes, "how do you know the color of my hair?"

"With my fingers. Do you tell colors with your eyes?"

"Mary!" roared a breezy voice from over the wall. "Mary, bear a hand, now, my girl! Where are you?"

"Oh, there's papa!" she exclaimed. "I must go." She moved toward the ladder.

"Don't go!" he cried, following her. "Don't go! Come back!"

She turned, threw her arms around his neck and kissed him. "Oh, you poor boy—poor boy!" she cried in a burst of infinite pity and grief. "Stone blind, and you never knew it!"

She kissed him again, and with her great, sympathizing heart near to breaking its narrow confines bounded up the ladder and over the wall.

Not once within his memory had the boy felt the pressure of lips to his own, and this pure kiss of an innocent, childish girl—his initial experience—became a turning point in his life, for it outweighed every other influence and consideration known to him.

With the kiss still warm on his lips he felt for the ladder, climbed to the top and called repeatedly the name he had heard. "Mary!" He was not answered. But his sensitive ear distinguished the sound of retreating foot-

steps, long and heavy, light and pattering, with the lessening murmur of a sweet voice which dwindled as he listened until it became as the tinkle of a distant bell, and when this was hushed in the silence of the summer night he descended to the bench, feeling as might a lost soul called to paradise only to receive sentence of doom.

"Stone blind, and you never knew it," he repeated her last words again and again, for they rang in his ears. Others could see with their eyes, and he could not. Why? They could see things miles away, and he could see but six feet.

Why was it? Why had his father, from whom he had received everything, denied him this? And why, having denied him, did he prevent him from going out through the door, where perhaps others would give him this wondrous faculty? It was wrong, unjust, shameful. Mary was kinder than his father.

As he thought of the generous sympathy of the girl, which he had felt without wholly appreciating, his bitter resentment toward his father increased to passionate rebellion.

"Mary lives in a ship," he muttered. "It has no garden. It can't be far." He climbed the ladder, raised it, lowered it the other side and descended to the street. He was running away—looking for Mary and the wonderful, unknown faculty of eyesight. The patient labor of 18 years was undone in one short ten minutes by a warm hearted, irresponsible iconoclast in short dresses. A minute before the father had come softly into the garden and without seeing the ladder had looked a moment on the brooding boy, then from motives of delicacy had retired, leaving him to come in when he pleased.

At the foot of the ladder he hesitated, then followed the wall to the corner, where another—or fence—began. He followed this and reached another which he knew was parallel to the one he had climbed, and here he found a movable part which swung like a door. This he opened, and the creaking of the hinges was answered by a deep toned growl from behind. He had often heard this sound, and dogs had been described to him, but never having been struck or injured in his life he knew not the fear of physical pain, and so—though feeling an impulse to flee—waited until he felt the impact of a hairy body and the closing of powerful jaws on his arm. Then instinct—antidating his reason by several thousand years—dominated his mind, and he acted—rightly. He was strong and active. Reaching for the throat of the beast, he choked with the power of his fingers until the jaws relaxed, then lunged the gasping, snarling brute from him, passed through and shut the gate, feeling within him a dim consciousness of victory, and examined his arm. The skin was unbroken, the dog's teeth had but pinched severely.

He had conquered in his first friction with the unknown, but very humanly became frightened when the danger was past, and not daring to return went on, feeling the fences. He was walking on boards, which soon gave way to gravel; then grass. But fences of different design still guided him. After an hour or so these ended and he felt open space. Turning sharply to the left he found hard ground underfoot, then more grass. As the ground made easiest walking, he held it, turning to the right or the left as he felt the grass under his feet.

All night the boy followed this country road, pausing at intervals to call for Mary, wondering at the immensity of the new world he was exploring, but feeling no fear of the darkness and solitude—for this had been his life's portion—and with all fears that he might not be in front of him dominated by an indefinable impulse to go on. He was in the hands of his instincts—better guides than his eyes could have been, with his complete lack of worldly knowledge.

In the morning, faint with hunger and fatigue, with feet blistered and bleeding, he sat on a stone doorstep, and with the strange roar of the waking city in his ears called to the passers-by, asking for Mary and the ship. None answered until a withered old woman, hobbling along on crutches, stopped and said:

"Poor b'y, what ails ye? Oh, mither o' God, he's blind! What ye do here, b'y?"

"I want to find Mary. I'm hungry." "Come back, me b'y; come back, jist roun the corner. Me husband was blind—rist his sowl. I'll give ye a bite."

She fed him, questioned him without satisfactory results, watched his head sink on the table in the lethargy of exhaustion and put him to bed, with injunctions to her grandson, Tim, to "lave him be." Then she went to her apple stand.

She had returned at nightfall and prepared her supper before he awakened. Then the mutual questionings were resumed. A stubborn pride prevented him speaking of his father or of himself beyond asking how he could learn to see with his eyes, but he demanded persistently to be taken to the ship and Mary and became so urgent that the old woman finally called her grandson.

"Tim," she said, "take him down to the docks a bit an try an find his friends. He's lost, poor b'y, an a bit daff. Mebbe he come from some ship close by. Bring him back if ye don't find them, Tim."

The only description of Tim that this story requires is that he was a typical gamin, fond of dogfights, one of which in a nearby vacant lot he was now missing.

"There's a ship bound out tomorrow two docks down," he said as they started. "Is dat de one yer lookin fur?"

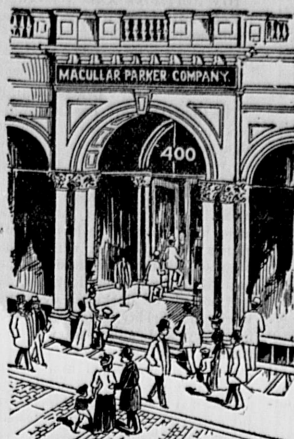
"Does Mary live there?" asked the boy eagerly.

"Dunno; her name's Mary. I tink—Mary something. Le's hurry."

They hurried, from different motives, and soon reached the dock, where, standing close up to the black, flaring bow of a full rigged, deep laden ship, Tim spelled out in the light of a neigh-

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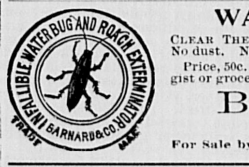
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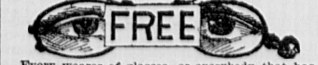
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She lowered the ladder and clambered down.

had given his son, and the boy sought the extreme corner of the garden, where, sitting on a rustic bench and brooding rebelliously over the sudden appearance of boundaries to his investigations, he heard among the multitude of strange yet familiar sounds from beyond the wall a new one and felt the presence of some one near and above him. Not needing to raise his head to assist his consciousness, he asked, "Who is it?"

"Who?" he asked again, with a puzzled face.

"Oh, auntie says I'm a tomboy. Do you live here? My, what a pretty garden! May I come down?"

"Yes, come," he answered, understanding the request.

"Look out. No, I'll get the ladder. I couldn't climb back if I jumped."

A black eyed, dark haired rhyte of 15

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WHAT THE STATUTES SAY.

The question whether Newton & Boston cars shall be allowed to run to the subway is arousing a great deal of interest. The Boston Elevated will of course bitterly oppose it, and as this corporation has a great influence over commissions and legislative bodies it is doubtful whether anything it opposes can be carried through.

This corporation has a great snarl in its control of the Boston streets, and naturally enough it does not wish to divide the melon with outsiders. It is given a franchise that ought to bring a large revenue yearly to the city of Boston. Another reason is its opposition to the introduction of vestibuled cars into Boston streets, on account of the danger that the public seeing how much more comfortable these cars are for passengers, and also how much suffering they save to the motormen, would demand that the Boston Elevated also use vestibules, and this change would cost the company a large sum.

The Boston papers are of course very friendly to this corporation, for business reasons, and would not venture to oppose it in any way, and hence any reforms that the public desire have to depend on the outside weeklies for their advocacy. But it is said that in this case the Boston Elevated are not the judge and jury, and a writer in combatting a statement of the Herald, gives the statutes governing the case as follows:

A Massachusetts statute, which was passed in 1874, provides that, "When the board of aldermen or the selectmen, after due notice and hearing, decide that public necessity and convenience so require, they may authorize and empower a street railway company, whose tracks have been duly located in their city or town, and which owns and operates not less than two consecutive miles of track, to enter upon and use with its horses and cars, within defined limits, the track of any other street railway company therein which it may meet or cross."

A Massachusetts statute, which was enacted in 1888, provides that "No street railway company now existing, or that may hereafter be incorporated, shall run its cars or use the tracks of another street railway unless authorized so to do by the board of aldermen or the selectmen, after due hearing of all parties in interest." As the tracks of the Newton & Boston Street Railway Company "have been duly located in" Boston, and the company "owns and operates not less than two consecutive miles of track," it is seen from the two statutes from which I have quoted that the decision of the question whether the Newton & Boston company shall be allowed to use the tracks of the Boston Elevated company from Union square, Allston, to Park street, rests not with the latter company, but with the Boston board of aldermen and the Massachusetts board of railroad commissioners.

The Milford Journal professes to be greatly shocked because U. S. Grant, Jr., is reported to have paid \$20,000 to get votes in his efforts to be U. S. Senator. But will the Milford Journal tell us why it is any worse to pay money for votes than to promise to get offices and government contracts and favors in return for votes. In one case a man pays what belongs to himself, and in the other, he promises to foist a lot of more or less worthless heifers and politicians on the government pay roll, and the people pay the bill. The Journal can find nothing too bad to say of civil service reform, which is trying to put an end to such appointments as that of the Louisiana sealaway and jail bird, for whom Hanna got an office in return for his vote for McKinley. Bribery should be punished, of course, but it is rather hypocritical to pretend to be shocked at bribery when a candidate pays money out of his own pocket, and not to condemn bribery with an office, which puts its payment of the debt upon the tax-payers, and costs the briber nothing but reputation.

The gains of regular business seem pretty small compared with the dazzling stories of the winnings of the stock market, but the end of the story has not been reached, and when the large holders have unloaded, there may be a chapter that will put a different aspect on the situation. In the phenomenal boom that has been engineered for some weeks past, any old stock has seemed to offer a promising field for speculation, whether it had any intrinsic value or not, and the temptation to take a flier seems to have been irresistible to the great majority of people. This has been good for the stock business, but conservative men are asking whether these stocks are really worth any more than they were a few months ago. It is to be hoped, however, that the shearing of all these tender lambs will be postponed until warmer weather.

MAYOR QUINCY proposes a horizontal scaling down of the salaries of Boston city officials, on the ground that Boston is living beyond its means, the reduction now to apply to salaries of \$800 and less. This looks like a business-like proposition, and it

might give a hint to Mayor Wilson. Newton has been living beyond its means just as much as Boston has, and we are now paying larger salaries in most cases than cities of twice our size. In Boston the proposed reduction is said to be 1-2 per cent, and it is not probable that any of our offices would go a begging if such a reduction were made.

The two American officers who made a tour of the island of Luzon, appear to have found a certain amount of civilization, even in remote villages, as they were invited to several society dances, and they also found evidence of a well organized government. Possibly the Filipinos are more civilized than we imagine. Certainly the experience of these officers, and the enormous difficulties they encountered in their travels, show that it would be impossible to conquer the country if the natives were disposed to fight. Aguinaldo has of course deteriorated terribly since we carried him back to the islands, and were glad to use him as an ally in fighting the Spaniards, but while we have Algers and Egan, and such men in high office, even Aguinaldo does not seem so very disreputable in comparison.

As a result of the efficient milk inspection, in this city, milk sold in Newton is said to average higher than that of most of the cities in the state. Only the first quality milk will pass, and a number of dealers who were not careful to keep their milk up to the test have removed their business to other cities. The citizens can be grateful to Inspector Arthur Hudson for the purity of their milk supply.

The Boston Union Evangelical League came out in favor of the annexation of the Philippines "For Christ's Sake," and have been paraded in the Imperialistic papers as a sample of the church sentiment on the matter. But the Boston Transcript, after a prolonged search among the ministerial associations of Boston, fails to find any trace of the Union Evangelical League.

The way troops are being sent to the Philippines indicates that the signing of the treaty is not expected to bring about a state of peace, as the Imperial papers have argued. On the contrary, a very lively war with our "subjects" is looked for, before we can proceed with our "benevolent assimilation." We are to pay twenty millions for a very expensive war.

MAYOR CHAMPLIN of Cambridge made a cut of \$400,000 in the committee estimates of city expenses for the present year, much to the joy of the average tax-payer. This puts the Cambridge mayor at the head of the list of municipal economists. Mayor Wilson's savings so far are hardly worth being mentioned in this connection, but the year is young yet.

HUNNEWELL CLUB NOTES.

CALENDAR.

Friday, 3d. Bowling team tournament.
Saturday, 4th. Gentlemen's Night.
Monday, 6th. Bowling team tournament.
(finals).

A rehearsal has been called for Saturday evening for the minstrel entertainment. All intending to take part are requested to be present.

On last Saturday evening an oil painting, entitled "Tremont Street Canyon," by the Boston artist Edmund H. Garrett, was placed on exhibition. This is a work of great merit, depicting an evening scene at the corner of Beacon and Tremont streets, Boston, in the days when the electric cars were on the street. The color effects and the sharp contrasts call for much study, and the artist has caught the life on the street in a manner which reflects great credit.

On next Wednesday evening the Neighborhood Club of West Newton will be the guests of this club. A team will be present from that club to meet one from this club. A pleasant and interesting evening is assured.

The entries for the second bowling tournament will close tomorrow evening, when the captains of the teams will meet and draw their associates. At least twelve teams will be in this tournament and possibly more. Next week will see this tournament in full swing.

Tonight teams 5, 6, 7 and 9 roll their final, and on Monday evening teams 1 and 2 close the tournament. It is impossible at the present time to make a safe prediction as to the final outcome, as a game won or lost may make some ties to be rolled off. Next week we will be able to give some interesting information on the tournament.

The committee on billiards and pool announce that entry lists are open for a billiard, pool and bottle pool tournament which will be started as soon as the present series are finished. Prizes are to be awarded.

On last Friday evening, team 8 beat team 6, two out of three strings, and on Monday evening team 2 won three straight games, and team 8 won two games from team 4.

In the pool tournament Mr. E. R. Estabrook defeated Mr. H. G. Lapham in the semi-final round, and will meet the winner of the match between Mr. R. G. Howard and Mr. W. F. Bowman.

In the bottle pool tournament Mr. E. M. Hallett beat Mr. G. E. Hatch, and Mr. C. B. Coffin beat Mr. H. W. Kendall after an exciting and hotly contested game. Only one match remains to be played in the first round, and only two matches remain in the second round.

The entertainment on Saturday evening will be furnished by four members of the Newton Banjo and Mandolin Club. Lunch will be served as usual.

Newton Assemblies.

The last Newton assembly of this season will be on next Tuesday evening, Feb. 7th, at the Woodland Park Hotel, Auburndale, from nine until one. The patronesses are Mrs. E. B. Haskell, Mrs. Henry A. Priest, Mrs. Henry E. Cobb, Mrs. Henry Brooks, Mrs. Joseph L. Colby, Mrs. George F. Kimball. As this is the last dance of the series, it is expected it will be somewhat larger than the first. Daggett of Boston will furnish music.

NEWTON UPPER FALLS.

—For other news see seventh page.

—For greater convenience to my patrons, I desire to announce that all calls for my services may be left with Mr. John W. Lynch, High street, who will forward them to me with the greatest possible dispatch. Respectfully, HENRY F. CATE.

THE LEGISLATURE.

THE GYPSY MOTH COMMISSION AND MR. E. W. WOOD—ICE FROM RESERVOIRS—NEWTON PETITIONS AND A BOARD OF SURVEY—THE STREET RAILWAY TAX—DISTRIBUTION.

(Special Legislative Correspondence.)

Beacon Hill, Feb. 1.

The General Court has its usual feast of good and bad things spread before it. Last night at 5 o'clock the gates shut down, and the work of mastication and assimilation can now begin in dead earnest. It will take the rest of this week even to find out what has gone in, for the patient newspaper man, though he has exceptional facilities for finding out what schemes are proposed, cannot have access to the papers until they have been docketed, and they will not all be docketed, even with night work, until Friday, at least. If everything necessary and unnecessary has not been thought of, it is because the fertile brain of many a man has failed him. The two socialist members, Mr. Carey and Mr. Seates of Haverhill have joined forces to devise the measures which best represent the reforms they believe necessary before we have ideal conditions, one of them being a bill to provide for pure ice for the metropolitan district, furnished by the metropolitan water board, from our reservoirs and basins, which isn't a bad idea at all. Then the Democrats have been holding meetings every day or two, at which committees were appointed to devise bills which should picture forth in inviting terms the beneficent purpose of the party, and the Republican members have each for himself been doing the rest. The one Prohibitory member seems to have concluded to let his party present its petitions through some other channel, though Mr. Forbush of Natick and the rest of the men who believe in the third party movement, have not allowed their interest in other matters to prevent them from getting a hearing. Mr. Swift of Tisbury has, however, filed some of their bills. Although the appropriation bills as a whole are through, and some other good things have been done, we are no further along this year than usual at this time.

Your fellow citizen, Mr. Wood of West Newton, the chairman of the gypsy moth committee of the state board of agriculture, is in the midst of a sharp, not to say bitter controversy, over the annual appropriation for continuing the work of destruction. The contest going on in the house is over the emergency appropriation to prevent everything stopping, which was engrossed yesterday, and the main fight will be over the full appropriation of \$200,000. Every year the opposition to the appropriation grows stronger, always, of course, aided by the indisposition of southern and western members to vote against the pest which apparently does not affect them at all. The chief menace, however, comes from people in the infested district who do not seem to feel the importance of the work, or who have a grievance. I think the sentiment in the metropolitan district would be a great deal stronger if those who daily saw evidences of the work of the gypsy moth committee were to vote against it.

The average man sees some marks on a tree and thinks, "There, the gypsy moth men have been here, and have left some mark to show that they have done their work." Probably they found nothing. The real fact is that while all the trees in the seriously infested district are burled up, a tree is never marked unless gypsy moths are found upon it. The largest trees in the commons in Malden bears the figure "8" and a straight line "I." On the other side of the house are trees bearing the "8" and also a letter "I." Inverted. The "8" means 1898. An "I" on a tree means that the spring of the year indicated the moths were found on the tree; a straight line, that they were there in the summer; and an inverted "I" that they were discovered in the fall in species. Many people think they must hunt in the Middlesex Fells to find a gypsy moth; but within six months I have seen them under the burials on the finest shaded street in Malden, catwalkers of the largest size, as thickly placed as they could lie, one beside another, 50 or more to a tree, and all along the street. They had spun down to the ground, crawled up into the burials, and probably never got any farther before destroyed.

Mr. Langford got in a bill for a board of survey for Newton, and also one relating to the distribution of the water for hydrants yesterday, the latter on Judge Kenney's petition. His committee, water supply, is getting ready to do a great deal of work in the next few weeks. It is a curious fact that the disadvantage of the fall in the water supply was brought to the attention of the members, and so the committee on metropolitan affairs was aided.

The bill for the Wellington bridge over the Mystic River, and a cursory inspection indicates that it is fair in its provisions. It provides that the bridge shall be built by the metropolitan park commission; that in their discretion it shall raise the present bridges and accommodate not only the avenue it now serves, but the metropolitan boulevard to the Fells system; that if the highway crosses it, one-half the cost shall be borne by the city, and the other half by the commonwealth; also that a commission shall be appointed to apportion the amount of special benefit received by any city or town. It is to be hoped that this or some other bill will be passed this year, for the great Fells system of boulevards are practically useless until the bridge is built. I notice that Mr. Newton of Everett has resubmitted the "one mile bill" of former years, which proposes to provide a special tax to aid cities and towns in educational work, the amount to be distributed on the basis of school attendance. I have in former years explained how disastrously this would affect Newton, and how much harder it would hit Brookline. Candor compels me to add that the probability of this or at least a bill for a half mile tax going through has been greatly increased by the legislation of last year on the street railway tax. A bill is now pending for the distribution of \$500,000 received from street railways by the commonwealth last year, on the basis of the new law, the mileage of tracks in each city or town. That was the first time such a principle of distribution was recognized. It is evident, however, that the argument for the distribution of a general school tax is stronger than for distributing the street railway tax, for the Berkshire, Lawrence or Fall River boy who is helped to an education by money raised in Boston or Brookline may later become a great business man of the first city and reside in the suburbs. It is hard to discover any benefit which Nahant or Newton will gain having lost the corporation tax formerly returned them because street railway stock was owned by residents, from the payment of the same to Fall River. I pointed out the danger of this street railway tax as a precedent a year ago, but it went through without a protest because it didn't seem to hurt any place much excepting Manchester and Nahant, with no street railways.

A resolve has been offered providing for an amendment of the constitution so that

judges of our higher courts shall be elected by the people. It will not be adopted. Mr. Chadwick can begin to see what is before him, in the lengthening list of matters referred to the committee on cities. Many of these are Newton matters which are likely to have an early hearing. It appears that the Cove street extension matter was not settled, as it was expected would be the case, but that the Terminal company has insisted on putting in its petition for a repeal of the act. Meanwhile South Boston has put in a petition against repeal, containing many thousand names, and the battle is on.



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MULVHILL—HOGAN—At West Newton, Jan. 31, by Rev. L. J. O'Toole, William Joseph Mulvihill and Annie H. Hogan.

NEWTON—MATTHEWS—At Newton Upper Falls, Feb. 1, by Rev. F. J. Danahy, Thomas Henry Newton and Mary Elizabeth Matthews.

ALLEN—FLETCHER—At Newton, Feb. 1, by Rev. W. H. Davis, George Edwin Allen and Ida May Fletcher.

BRICKETT—McDONALD—At Cohasset, Jan. 25, by N. Giesler, Edward Lewis Brickett and Christine McDonald of Newton.

FORD—SULLIVAN—At Fall River, Jan. 26, by Rev. J. Fogarty, Daniel Ford of Newton and Hannah Sullivan of Fall River.

MORRIS—DRISKO—At Deering Centre, Me., by W. W. Hooker, James Sumner Morris of Newton and Mary Elizabeth Drisko of Boston.

DIED.

PARKS—At Newton, Feb. 2, Lucy Jackson, wife of Ward J. Parks, 68 yrs. 4 mos. 9 days.

LORING—At Newton Centre, Jan. 31, Miss Hannah Williams Loring, daughter of the late Joshua Loring, 88 years. Services at her late residence, 920 Centre street, Saturday, at 2 o'clock.

SUSMANN—At Newton Highlands, Jan. 26, Paul Susmann, 12 yrs. 1 mo. 1 d.

MILLS—At Nonantum, Jan. 27, Richard F. Mills, 38 yrs. 3 mos.

FELTMAN—At Newton Hospital, Jan. 28, Clara Grace, daughter of Frederick and Mary T. Feltman, 1 yr. 1 mo., 15 ds.

TABALDI—At Newton, Jan. 28, Kate, daughter of Louis and Mary Tabaldi, 6 yrs.

DEVROY—At West Newton, Jan. 29, Winifred, wife of Daniel Devroy, 74 yrs.

ROSCOE—At Waban, Jan. 31, Noble E. Roscoe, 41 yrs., 9 mos., 22 ds.

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—Mrs. William Crown is quite ill at her home on Parson street.

—Mr. N. W. Tupper is able to be about again after his recent illness.

—Miss Gertrude Gammons is able to be out after a severe attack of the measles.

—Mr. William Adams of the U. S. S. Detroit has been visiting at his home in this place.

—Mr. L. B. Jones of Nevada street is confined to his home with acute rheumatism.

—Mr. W. F. French and family of New townville avenue will leave soon for California.

—Mr. John Stonemet entertained friends at his home on Washington street, Thursday evening.

—Mr. C. W. Rolfe of Clyde street has gone to Portland to attend the funeral of his father.

—Mr. and Mrs. Allen of Hartford, Conn., spent Sunday with their son, Mr. W. H. Allen of Crafts street.

—Higgins and Nickerson have purchased a lot of land on Lowell avenue on which they will erect two houses.

—Mr. Frank Frost of Austin street, who has been ill with the grip has so far recovered as to be out again.

—Mr. J. B. Robson of Crafts street has been elected president of the Investors' Real Estate Association of Boston.

—Mr. H. B. Chamberlain of Court street took charge of Mr. N. W. Tupper's office during Mr. Tupper's recent illness.

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—Miss Allen will give a demonstration of the Fletcher music kindergarden at the Masonic Temple, Wednesday, Feb. 8, at 3.30.

—Mr. Richard Cody of the U. S. S. Enterprise has returned to his ship after a short visit to his mother on Frederick street.

—Mr. J. W. Dickinson of Cabot street, who suffered injuries from a fall a few weeks ago, has so far recovered as to be out again.

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—Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Bailey will celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of their wedding on Tuesday, Feb. 14, at their home on Cabot street.

—Mr. Edmund E. Stiles has been admitted to partnership in the firm of Joel Goldthwait & Co., with which he has been connected for many years.

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—The Knights of Pythias will hold their next regular meeting at Nonantum hall, Newton, Wednesday, Feb. 14th. The work will be done by the degree team from the Waltham lodge.

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—The derelict referred to in last week's issue, which had been left in the rear of the Mullen estate on Lowell avenue, is not the property of the city, but of the telephone company. As soon as Assistant Superintendent of the city, in the presence of its presence there he notified the telephone company, and Saturday it was taken away.

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—There will be a vespers service at the Central Congregational church Sunday at 7.30 p. m. The following selections will be rendered:

Prelude, Brosig
Magnificat in E b, Blumenschein
Soprano solo, "I will magnify Thee, O God,"
Chant, "The Lord's Prayer," Mosenthal
Intermezzo, Salome
And God shall wipe away all Tears," Salome
Postlude, Rolfe
Choir—Miss Avis C. Day, Miss Victoria Johnson, Mr. E. A. Norris, Mr. E. B. Rogers; Mr. Fred H. Young, organist and director of music.

—At the recent meeting of the Masters' Association of the Fifth Masonic building, held in Prelate hall, Masonic building, these officers were elected: John W. Fisher, Dahousie lodge, president; Frank K. Porter, Monitor lodge, Waltham, vice president; E. O. Hatch, Belmont lodge, Belmont, secretary and treasurer; executive committee—F. W. Derbyshire, Isaac Parker lodge, Waltham; J. M. W. Washburn, O. W. A. Coleman, organist; G. E. Trowbridge. The installation ceremony was performed by District Deputy W. A. Clarke and suite of Waltham. A pleasing musical and literary was rendered at the close of the business exercises. Addresses were also enjoyed from the various visiting officers. There was a large attendance and an enjoyable evening was passed.

—The more reasonable winter weather we have had this week, has made the skating at Bulough's pond very fine indeed. Every afternoon the ice has been covered with skaters. At Crystal lake, Newton Centre, the Newton & Boston street railway company have arranged with Mr. G. H. Ellis, the owner of the lake, to keep the snow removed from the ice should any fall, while the ice is in its present condition. A line of posts have been put in place across the ice, and fifteen are lights from Norumbega park have been put in place so that the skating field is illuminated every evening, giving much pleasure to those who can only avail themselves of the pleasure of winter sports after business hours. Yellow cars from Newton go every half hour direct to the lake, and the Walnut street line from Newtonville, leave skaters at Berwick road or Griffin avenue, a very trifling distance from the skating park. From the avenues cars can be taken going in either direction

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How Japanese Woo.

Japan is a long way off, and this charming story of how courtships are carried on among the elite of their society comes to us from this faraway land. In certain districts, in houses wherein resides a daughter of marriageable age, an empty flowerpot is encircled by a string and suspended from a window or the veranda. Instead of serenades by moonlight, and other delicate ways of making an impression, it is etiquette for the Japanese lover to approach the dwelling of his sweetheart bearing some choice plant in his hand, which he reverently proceeds to plant in the empty vase. This takes place when he is fully aware that mother and daughter are at home.

This act of placing a plant in the flowerpot is equivalent to a formal proposal to the lady of his choice. The lover, having settled the plant to his mind, retires, and the lady is free to act as she pleases. If he is the right man, she takes every care of his gift, waters it and tends it carefully with her own hands, that all may see that the donor is accepted as a suitor. But if he is not the favorite, or if the stern parents object, the poor plant is torn from the vase and the next morning lies limp and withered on the veranda or in the path below.

Melting Superstitions.

Mr. Elbert Hubbard, speaking of Meisner in The Philistine, says that the temperament of the painters' mother "was poetic, religious and her spirit had in it a touch of superstition—which is the case with all really excellent women."

Mr. Hubbard is right. A child cannot be handi-capped more severely than by a mathematically precise, "clear headed," well informed, unimaginative mother. There are wretched households in which fairy stories are tabooed as "absurd," in which the "Arabian Nights" is pook pooked, in which primers of science are forced upon little hands in which there is no Santa Claus, no stork, no werewolf, no goblin.

A superstitious mother sees signs and omens for her children. To find her throwing spilled salt over her shoulder or looking anxiously for the favoring position of the new moon is a more agreeable sight than to discover her in the act of teaching indispensible facts. We entertain a profound pity for men who sneer at old wives' fables. The testimony, the deepest feeling of the centuries, is against the scoffers and with them we do not care to clink glasses or do business.—Boston Journal.

Horseshoes.

In Japan most of the horses are shod with straw. Even the clumsiest of cart horses wear straw shoes, which, in their cases, are tied around the ankle with straw rope and are made of the ordinary rice straw, braided so as to form a sole for the foot about half an inch thick. These shoes cost about a halfpenny a pair. In Iceland horses are shod with sheep's horn. In discussing this subject a writer in The Horse-shoer's Journal says: In the valley of the Upper Oxus the antlers of the mountain deer are used for the same purpose, the shoes being fastened with horn pins. In the Sudan the horses are shod with socks made of camel's skin. In Australia horseshoes are made of cowhide. A German not long ago invented a horseshoe of paper, prepared by saturating with oil, turpentine and other ingredients. Thin layers of such paper are glued to the hoof till the requisite thickness is attained, and the shoes thus made are durable and impervious to moisture.

Lander's Retort at School.

One day in full school Master Lander had an apple of singular size and beauty. He had his Livy in one hand and this apple in the other and read and munched and munched till the sound struck the doctor. He espied the delinquent and ordered him to bring that apple to him. He put it on his desk, cork and populo, and then, half relenting, said: "There, sir. Now, if you want that again you had better go and sit down and make me a short line on the occasion." "Oh, I can do that and stand here," says Master Lander. "Do it then." The boy thought a moment, and soon obliged him with a pentameter, "Esriens doctor dulcia poma rapit."

"Hum!" says Dr. James. "And pray, sir, what do you mean by e-suriens doctor?" "The gormandizing doctor."

"Take it, sir. You are too hard for me, you are too hard for me," said the doctor, delighted with his pupil.—"Rouse's History of Rugby School."

Chinese Back Scratcher.

No Chinese home is without a back scratcher, while many there be in otherwise happy American households who do not know its joys. Therefore are they compelled to hitch around on chairs to dislodge the itch.

The oriental does better. He shoves down his back an instrument which has a carved bone or ivory hand with sharp claws. This is mounted on a flexible handle of cane or bone, and with a few pushes the annoyance ceases.—Hong-kong Correspondence.

For Bed and Board.

It is said that when John Jacob Astor was once congratulated for his wealth he replied by pointing to the bonds and maps of property, at the same time inquiring, "Would you like to manage these matters for your bed and board?"

The man demurred.

"Sir," continued the rich man, "it is all that I can get."

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—Freeman & Fletcher of the Riverside greenhouse make a specialty of the Princess of Wales violet. Also fine carnations. You can order by telephone. See advt. on 4th page.

—The Em. See met at the house of Mrs. Wm. K. Chandler, Maple street, last Saturday, and followed its usual interesting program. A new feature was the singing of two Stevenson songs by John H. Turner. "In Winter" and "Of Speckled Eggs," and the three violinists played a trio by Mazas with piano accompaniment very acceptably. After the regular meeting the club was invited by Mr. Benedict to listen to a concert by his new graphophone, which proved a real treat and added very much to the occasion.

—Charles H. Osborne, 18 years old, and Wilbur R. Crossley, 16 years old, both of whom live in Roxbury, had a narrow escape from drowning in the Charles river late Wednesday afternoon. The young men were skating on the ice just below Hubbard's bridge, Riverside, when it suddenly gave way, letting them both into the stream. Osborne, being somewhat of an athlete and a good swimmer, managed to keep himself up and also to support Crossley, who was unable to swim. Their cries for help were heard by Patrick Rafferty, a Weston farm laborer, who, upon seeing their predicament, secured a long plank from a nearby fence and pushed it out on the ice to where the young men were struggling in the water. Both were so thoroughly buoyed by the cold water, however, as to be unable to do more than to cling to the plank, and so Rafferty crawled out on it and dragged them on to the thick ice. After receiving assistance from Patrick living in the neighborhood the young men left for their homes. The current in the river at this point is very swift, and in spite of the severe cold of the last few days it has worn the ice dangerously thin in numerous places.

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horing street lamp the name Mary Croft in gilt letters on the topgallant rail.

"Mary, sure 'nough," he said. "Is dat de one?"

"Is it Mary?" asked the boy in a frenzy of excitement. "Mary!" he called. "Mary, Mary! Oh, take me in, Tim; show me the way."

"C'm on!" said Tim laconically. He piloted him to the long gangplank, placed his hands on the manrope and said, "G'wan up; dat's de ship yer lookin' fur, I guess," then sped to the dogfight.

Slowly, yet eagerly, the blind boy ascended the gangplank, felt the grating and steps inside the rail and descended to the deck, calling the name of the girl whose magnetic sympathy had enchanted him from home, but as the only soul on board was the watchman, very properly sound asleep in a forecastle bunk on the last night of his job, the boy's call was not answered. Just abreast of the gangway was the booby hatchhouse, which led to a 'tween decks below, formed by the extended poop or half deck on which he stood. He felt the proximity of this hatchhouse and reached it, finding in the after part a door unlocked, which he opened and called again for Mary.

Hearing no answer, he stepped in with his hands on the sliding hood above the door. But his foot encountered emptiness, the hood slid back from the pressure of his weight, and he fell heavily to the deck below, striking his head against a cask, and lay quiet. Toward morning he awoke to a half consciousness, crawled aimlessly about 20 feet and swooned again. Here he lay screened from observation until the officers and crew had come aboard in the morning, the ship had towed out to sea and the pilot was preparing to step into the waiting dingy which would take him to the station boat near the Sandy Hook lightship. Then he was seen groping under the hatch. He was hauled to the deck and into the presence of the captain and officers, a pitiable spectacle, with his clothing soiled from the filth of the 'tween deck, his sightless eyes staring from deep hollows in his livid face and his temples streaked with congealed blood from a cut in his head.

"Stowaway," grunted the captain, glaring on the trembling boy, weak from shock and seasickness. "All right. You'll get enough of it."

"That's no stowaway, captain," said the pilot, with one leg over the rail. "He's blind as a bat. I'll take him ashore if you say so."

"What do you say, young brat?" bawled the captain. "We're short handed, and you can stay if you want to. Do you want to go or do you want to stay in the ship?"

"I would rather stay in the ship. I want to see Mary."

The pilot was in a hurry, and bearing the first part of this sentence slid

to which, asleep or awake, night or day, he was called when sail was shortened or set. Thinly clad and hatless, he suffered torture from storm and sun, and in the watch below, the servant of the forecastle, he cleaned pots and pans, washed the shirts of the rest and brought their food from the galley as ordered to.

No word of sympathy, no kindly inquiry or expression of friendly interest lightened his darkness or relieved the hideous nightmare which enveloped his soul. He was merely a subject for forecastle wit and ridicule. But into the depths of his misery and helpless terror, surrounded by phenomena of sound and motion beyond the power of his mind to grasp, when the old life in the garden faded to a dream of another world and even his father's voice would not come back, he carried the memory of the soft, yielding features of the girl and the kiss on his lips and the grieving sympathy of her voice, and this memory kept him sane, for while he remembered he hoped—and the reason that hopes will not totter.

In the dreadful, stifling calm of the zone between the trade winds the ship lay like a log, with the deck hot to the feet and the hemp rigging sticky with oozing tar that had been hard as wood. A gale, a hurricane, would have been welcomed by the crew who worked in the rigging or on the blistering deck, but not a cat's paw of wind for days had relieved the air of its furnace heat, and no cloud appeared in the metallic sky with its promise. Off to the westward was a large clipper ship, which at the beginning had been hulled down on the horizon, but now, at the end of the sixth day, in obedience to the law of attraction was but five miles away and drifting closer each hour. To the northward was a speck, which the captain made out with his glass to be the gall topsails of a schooner below the horizon.

"This is a cyclone breeder," he remarked to the first mate as he put the glass in its place. "The barometer acts queer." He went below and returned in a moment, pale and earnest.

"The mercury's below 29," he said. "Shorten down to topsails before supper. I'm afraid of this."

"Look there, captain," answered the mate, pointing to the southern horizon. Sea and sky were merged in a filmy, translucent wall of light bluish gray that shaded indefinitely into the color of the two elements. As they looked it grew larger. The ship to the westward was taking in royals.

"In with the kites," said the captain tersely.

"Call all hands," roared the mate as he sprang forward. "Starboard watch aft," he continued as the crew answered. "Let go royal an' t'gallant hall'ards fore an' aft an' clew up. Down wi' the flyin' jib. Bear a hand, my lads. Bear a hand."

The men needed no encouragement. They saw the portent in the southern sky and hauled and worked and multiplied themselves as only a short handed merchant crew can. The three royals were soon hanging in the buntlines, and they manned the topgallant gear. The blind boy quickly fared his mizzen royal and came down while the men were still tugging at topgallant clew lines and buntlines. The mate saw him.

"Here, you cro-jack eyed cub. Lay aloft an' stow that main' roy'!" he shouted. The boy obeyed, and as the captain directed the hauling up of courses and lowering of upper topsails before sending the men aloft to furl he was alone in the rigging—climbing a strange road, to find in his darkness, by the similarity of structure with the mizzen mast, a royal yard where he was to do two men's work.

The dim shading of gray soon assumed form and size and a deeper hue.

Covering half of the southern horizon and stretching up a dingy curtain nearly to the zenith, it presented in sharp contrast with the brilliant blue of the sky above and around a menacing aspect of solidity—horrid to behold in the velvety blackness of the center, which absorbed every ray of light from the western sun, reflecting none. It was the complete negation of light and color. Beneath it was a narrow band of pale gray, and beneath this the glassy sea, which bore no trace of ruffling wind. The cloud—if cloud it was—seemed to move with volition of its own, silently, with no mutterings of thunder or gleam of lightning.

As the boy reached the royal yard and the men below were manning top-

sail down hauls it gathered in its shadowy edges, lifted up and came on, a mighty, roughly symmetrical, ball and hovered nearly over the ship. Tints of deep purple now appeared in the valleys of its surface, and on its western edge was a golden rim.

"Make fast all," cried the affrighted captain. "Lay aloft and furl," he roared.

While the last word was still on his lips a sheet of white flame enveloped the ship, and a report beyond all imagining or description shocked the air from horizon to horizon. The cloud above spread out to an elongated spindle like the black wings of a mighty angel of death and went on overhead, having done its work. The Mary Croft was a disintegrated wreck. Where wood separated iron in that composite hull there were molten metal and flame. Each oak-rail was a line of fire. From the roaring furnace arose through each hatch and a dozen ragged holes in the deck spurting, hissing columns of black smoke and burning oil and incandescent gas. The hemp rigging slackened and gas. The festooned canvas burst into flame, which crept aloft, threatening with new torture a moaning boy on the main royal yardarm, who alone of that ship's company, insulated on a dry wooden spar, had heard the report and felt a small part of the terrific discharge of heaven's artillery that had destroyed the ship. Not a man standing within or above that iron ribbed hull had known what struck him. Each was dead before the sensory nerves could act.

The boy on the yard, racked with ex-

cruciating pain in every nerve, clung to the spar with one hand and held the other to his head, for in his head was the acme of his agony. Then he became conscious of heat from below, with smoke which stifled him. Choking and gasping, expecting momentarily to hear the roar of the mate, he attempted to furl the sail. Then he felt rain on his bare head, large drops, which multiplied to a shower, then to a deluge of water that compelled him to hold tight to the yard with both hands. The pain in his head increased as he took away his hand, and strange, dreamlike sensations crowded his mind—sensations of motion, as though his brain was loosened and turning around. The heat and smoke from below ceased. Then came wind, cooling and welcome, which increased—at first a breath, then a gust, then a breeze, a gale, a screaming bur-



"Mary, Mary, where are you? I can see now. I can see with my eyes."

ricane. He heard loud creaking below him. The yard inclined, and he shifted his position. It became upright. Then he heard a grinding crash from somewhere and, clinging tightly to the spar, felt a sickening dizziness which lasted until, coming with a swishing crash of water, he felt a concussion, which, tearing him from the yard, hurled him into a salt, engulfing element that filled his mouth and nose and choked him. Something hard struck his legs, which he grasped, and soon he could breathe. It was the yard, which he knew by the touch.

As he climbed up on the floating tangle of spar and cordage he felt again the scorching heat and breathed the stifling smoke. Then he heard a distant report. It was an encouraging signal from the clipper ship, which, laying over to the lessening squall, was steering a course that would bring her straight to the wreck. But it frightened the boy, reminding him of the awful sound that had hurt him. To him this terrible experience was but little stranger than his daily contact and environment. He did not know what had happened or how he came to be in the water. He called for help, but hearing no answer waited for some one to come.

The soreness in his joints was leaving him, though when he opened his eyes there invariably came the pain and the whirl and the phantasms in his head. But this pain gradually became endurable and the whirl less pronounced, so that the phantasmagoria was defined and at times stationary.

As he changed his position on the spar he noticed that the phantasms changed also. Then he found that merely moving his head—to the right or left, or up or down—seemed to cause this change and motion. He realized that when he faced one way there was little differentiation—nothing but a slight sensation of motion that was pleasurable. In another position there came sharply defined shocks which irritated him. Facing another way, he felt a return of the pain and a lively hatred of the phantasm which accompanied it. He turned away—instinctively shutting his eyes, and the movement and all sensation ended. Then he opened them, and the phenomena returned.

He felt of his eyes with his hand and a new phantasm blotted out all others. Removing his hand took it away. He brought both hands together and repeated the experiment. Then, separating them and bringing them together again and again, the truth came home to him.

"I see!" he cried to the sky and ocean. "I can see with my eyes! I can see!"

The optic nerve had been at work since the lightning bolt had jarred it into life, but he had just found it out.

In his great joy he shouted with all the power of his lungs. He wanted his shipmates to know, for even they, with the whole world, must rejoice with him. His shout was answered by a distant hail, and he turned and shouted again. Into his field of vision came a moving object, which slowly grew larger. He reached out his hand to touch it, but failed. He waited, shouting at intervals until the moving thing filled his eyes with its strange outline, then heard the voice again.

"All right, my lad!" it said close to him. "Hold on! In bow! Way enough! Back water, starboard! Got him?"

Strong hands grasped him, and he was lifted into a boat.

"Who's left—any one else?" asked the voice.

"I can see," he answered. "I can see with my eyes."

"Poor devil, he's crazy! Back water, men! We'll look aboard if we can."

"Where were you when she was struck?" asked the man nearest him.

The boy was staring at the moving pictures filling his brain, which he knew must be men like himself. For answer he shut his eyes and felt the features of the questioner.

"Where were you when she was struck?" the man repeated.

"Struck? Yes, something struck me. I was on the main royal yard, and then I was in the water. I don't know. What was it? Who are you?"

"Great God, sir," sang out the man, "he was on the royal yard when the mainmast went over."

"No wonder he's daft. Way enough, boys!"

The flames above deck, temporarily quenched by the rain, were again breaking forth, fed by the raging gulf below.

Holding his breath, the officer climbed the weather mizen chains and, shading his eyes from the fierce heat, glanced once at the hecatomb of the shattered deck of the Mary Croft and dropped back, pale and horror-struck.

"She'll sink in half an hour," he said. "It's best. Give way."

They left the ship and returned to their own—the clipper—where the boy, astonished that no one shared his joyousness, was lifted up the side and placed on the deck. He looked around and staggered, until, shutting his eyes, he recovered his balance.

"Oh, papa, it's the blind boy," exclaimed a voice that he knew, which sent his blood leaping.

"Mary!" he cried. "Mary, Mary, where are you? I can see now. I can see with my eyes." She was at his side in an instant. With his eyes still closed he felt of her face and hair, reveling in ecstatic delight of the senses which remembered her, then opening them stamped his soul with her image, which he had not yet imagined. And it pleased his newborn sense more than any of the phantasms that had yet appeared to it, for Mary was a very pretty girl.

"I'm so glad," she said simply and drew away. The action was maidenly and natural, yet it pained him immeasurably.

But next morning, freshened by sleep, clean and dressed in clean clothes, he was more companionable and interesting, and as the great ship charged to the southward the girl was teaching him that the masts were up and down, that the horizon was crossways and that he could not grasp a schooner yacht, which was fast overhauling them, with his fingers. Then he told the girl and her father all that he could of his adventures since he left the garden. The account was not very clear, but enough so as to bring tears streaming down the face of the girl and a hearty burst of profane words to the captain's lips, with which he averred that the proper place for the Mary Croft and her officers and crew was at the bottom of the sea.

The schooner yacht ranged up on the ship's quarter, and a clear, ringing voice sang out:

"Ship ahoy! Have you seen the Mary Croft?"

"Struck by lightning yesterday and foundered."

When the voice came again, it was broken and hoarse.

"Are there any survivors?"

"Father!" cried the boy. "Father, I'm here!"

That yacht carried a double crew—she was manned to "carry on"—and a shout went up from 40 throats on her deck such as is seldom heard at sea.

A Mean Trick on Mike.

The Gulchtown Yelper has passed into history, but it left a memory that will be kept green as long as the gulch is a place of human habitation. The Yelper was conducted by Michael Rannigan, in whom were combined Irish wit and Yankee shrewdness. We all said that the enterprise couldn't last, but it did, and Mike garnered gold without having to dig for it. In a manner firm but quiet he induced all the gambling join s and concert saloons to advertise with him. When one of them attempted to sever its allegiance, it was promptly presented to the public as a den of iniquity and a deadly menace to the morals of the gulch. Then Mike would get a gun in either hand and sit in his sanctum facing the door until peace had been restored by restoring the advertisement. His policy never failed.

And Mike was enterprising. He would gallop 20 miles to report a shooting bee or get a reliable report of a lynching. He came to grief through the double dealing of his enemies. There was to be a dance at Goldbrick, 40 miles down the creek. One of The Yelper's advertising patrons, who had been called back several times after he wanted to quit, was going to the dance to settle an old grudge. Just as a matter of accommodation to Mike this patron told the whole story in advance, coloring it fit for yellow covers and assuring the editor that all would come off as per programme. There were to be two per killings and a lynching, and Mike had it out next morning under flaming headlines. His faith had been imposed upon. It was all a fake. Mike managed to escape alive without his hat, and the next I heard of him he was a legislator down in Texas. His office was divided up among his creditors, and there wasn't a handful of type apiece.—Detroit Free Press.

Suwannee Spring.

A short distance down the peninsula and below Jasper is Suwannee spring. It forms one of the principal feeders of the river and is a well known favorite winter resort. It is some distance from the railroad station, and tourists are taken thither in an ancient "dinky" street car, and their baggage on a flat open car linked behind. Both are drawn by a venerable but vicious looking mule, and the wisdom of the owners of both the vehicle and the mule is exhibited by the length of the traces, which are sufficient to allow the animal to kick freely without battering down the dasher should it make the attempt.

Suwannee spring, like many of the other large bodies of so called springs in Florida, is nothing more or less than the coming to the surface of a considerable sized underground river, and, like many of these springs, that at Suwannee is supposed to possess valuable medicinal qualities, particularly for diseases which affect the kidneys and bladder.

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- Mr. F. M. Conner of Melrose street is ill.
- Miss Alice Gulick left Wednesday for a visit to Spain.
- Miss Bertha Bailey of Charles street is ill at her home.
- Mrs. Lane of Winona street is removing to Bourne street.
- Patrolman Bates has been on duty in Lower Falls this week.
- Mr. James Barry of Marlboro has been here this week the guest of friends.
- Seven car loads of granite for the new Taylor block have arrived this week.
- Mr. Thomas Lyons of Pine street is able to be out again after a recent illness.
- Mr. Garfield and family have removed from 1 Tudor terrace to Boston this week.
- Mr. G. D. Bigelow, formerly of Winona street, removed this week to Brighton.
- Patrolman Bates has removed from Bourne street to Melrose street this week.
- Rev. F. E. Clarke occupied the pulpit of Eliot church, Newton, last Sunday morning.
- The Wide Awake Whist Club met last evening with Mr. Herick at his home on Bourne street.
- Miss Wells of Boston has purchased a house corner of Washburn and Auburndale avenues.
- In the parlors of the Congregational church last Wednesday afternoon, Mrs. Otis Cary, late of Japan, addressed the Mother's Meeting.
- The Review Club will meet with Mrs. Henry G. Hildreth, Ash street, on Tuesday, Feb. 7, at 10 a. m.
- Mr. Walter Tucker of Bourne street has taken a position in the freight office of the Boston & Albany, in Boston.
- Mr. Hugh M. Southgate has accepted a flattering business offer in Great Britain, and will soon leave for that place.
- Riverdale lodge, N. E. O. P., will meet next Monday evening at the residence of Mrs. Charles Hall on Auburn street.
- There was a meeting of the Home Circle Whist Club with Mrs. Cotton on Cherry street, Wednesday afternoon.
- There was a meeting of Auburndale lodge, A. O. U. W., Wednesday evening, when several matters of importance were considered.
- At 10.45 o'clock Wednesday morning, hose 5 company was called out on a still alarm, to extinguish a blaze in the house of F. W. Peabody on Woodland road, caused by an overheated furnace. Damage slight.
- Mr. George Shepard goes to Providence, R. I., tomorrow, where a performance is to be given by "Shepard's Black Warblers" before the Providence A. A. The regular performance will be given Feb. 16 in Union hall, Boston.

CHIEF RANDELL HONORED.

RECEIVES A GOLD WATCH AND CHAIN FROM THE CALL MEN AND PERMANENT MEMBERS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AT ANNUAL MEETING OF THE NEWTON FIREMEN'S RELIEF ASSOCIATION.

The most important meeting in the history of the Newton Firemen's Relief Association was that held Wednesday evening in engine 3's house at Newton Centre. Over 150 members of the department including call and permanent men, took the opportunity to express their esteem for Chief Randlett by presenting him with a gold watch and chain. The former was the gift of the call men, and the latter of the permanent members.

Another feature was the receipt of a check of \$100 from Mr. Bancroft Davis of Weston, as a substantial expression of his thanks for the invaluable services rendered by the Newton firemen last Tuesday in saving Mr. Davis' property at a fire on his estate.

Shortly after 8 o'clock the members assembled in the dormitory. After the meeting had been called to order by Chief Randlett the following letter from Mr. Bancroft Davis was read:

The Pines, Weston, Feb. 1. To W. B. Randlett, Chief Engineer. My Dear Sir—I know of no better day than on the day of your annual feast, to send to your association a token of appreciation of your efforts to save my property yesterday. Enclosed please find my check for \$100.

Will you kindly announce to your committee that if they can give me satisfactory proof of the cause of the recent fire in my stable I will gladly contribute more than double the enclosed to your fund? Yours very truly,

LETTERS were also read from Mayor Wilson, Aldermen Lyman, Nagle and Bailey, and G. W. Uimer, expressing the regret at being unable to accept the association's invitation to be present.

S. F. Chadbourne, Capt. Nichols and Capt. Corbett were appointed a nominating committee. Having performed their duties the committee report was presented by Chief Randlett, president; Asst. Chief Humphreys vice president; Mr. A. A. Savage secretary and treasurer. The officers were duly elected.

It was then voted to establish a contingent fund in which Mr. Davis' gift will be placed, to be expended at the discretion of the trustees. The chief, assistant chief and assistant foremen of each company were appointed a committee to decorate graves of deceased members on Firemen's Memorial Sunday, June 6th.

Following is the list of trustees and engineers, Chief Randlett and Assistant Chief Humphreys; engine 1, J. F. Cotton, R. McLean trustees; engine 2, H. W. Nichols, G. F. Saunders trustees; engine 3, J. W. Kimball trustees; engine 4, J. English, S. F. Chadbourne trustees; engine 5, J. P. Kelly trustees; engine 6, T. E. Healy, A. B. Ha den trustees; engine 7, J. E. Corcoran trustees; engine 8, J. E. Trowbridge, J. T. Thompson trustees; engine 9, J. E. Trowbridge, J. T. Thompson trustees; engine 10, J. E. Trowbridge, J. T. Thompson trustees; engine 11, J. E. Trowbridge, J. T. Thompson trustees; engine 12, J. E. Trowbridge, J. T. Thompson trustees.

—The four-year-old daughter of Louis Tabaldi of Watertown street died last Saturday evening. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon.

—Patrolman O'Halloran and Driver Turner of hose 8, extinguished a slight blaze in the yard of the Nonantum Worsted mill last Saturday evening.

—Beginning Sunday, Feb. 12, Rev. Dr. Breaker of the Bath Eden Baptist church of Waltham, will conduct services each evening for the week at the Beulah Baptist Mission.

—Richard Mills, formerly a well known Baptist minister, died last Saturday at his home on West street, aged 39 years. Death was due to consumption from which Mills had been a sufferer for over a year. He spent the greater part of his life in England, and was well known among the residents of this place. At one time he was captain of hose 8 company. The funeral was held Monday morning at the Church of Our Lady.

NEWTON UPPER FALLS.

- Mr. H. E. Locke has returned from a trip to New York.
- Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Wildman are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son.
- See the bargains in shoes offered by E. E. Barnes, Nonantum square, Newton. His semi-annual sale begins this week.
- The regular monthly meeting of the Quinobegun Association will be held in hall on High street, next Tuesday evening.
- Mr. John Warren of Mechanic street, who has been quite ill, is now improving in health.
- Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Ford have returned from their wedding trip, and are occupying a house on Eliot street.
- Mr. David Isley of Ohio street has returned from Providence and entered the Emergency hospital, Boston, to undergo an operation.
- At the meeting of the Y. P. S. C. E. in the Methodist church next Sunday evening, Mr. H. E. Locke will lead. Subject, "Idle in the Market Place."
- A number from this place attended the entertainment held Wednesday evening at Newton, under the auspices of Newton lodge, Knights of Malta.
- Mrs. Bosworth of Attleboro and Mrs. Wheeler of Dorchester have been here this week visiting their brother, Mr. John Thomason of Chestnut street.
- There has been much to occupy the attention of the doctors in this place during the past few weeks, but the number of grip cases is said to be diminishing.
- Perseverance Lodge 122, I. O. G. T. of this place has decided to discontinue its meetings in Quinobegun hall, and until further notice the meetings will be held at the homes of members.
- The many friends of Mr. John Thomason will be pleased to learn that he has fallen heir to several hundred dollars through the death of a relative in England. His sisters, who are residents of this state, were also recipients of equal amounts.
- Shortly after 8 o'clock Monday evening, hose 7 company was called out on a still alarm to extinguish a burning haystack on the farm of Mr. John Keating, Dedham street. The prompt response of the department prevented any great damage, and the blaze was soon extinguished. It is thought the fire was set by boys who were skating on the pond nearby.
- More than 300 graduates of the old Wade grammar school gathered in Wade hall, last Friday evening for their annual re-union. There were graduates of 40 years ago and graduates of '98 present, but all belonged to the old school, and good fellowship and a common fund of reminiscences made them all one. During the early evening a dramatic entertainment and a series of readings were presented by Mr. Arthur G. Goldson, Miss Fay Randall, Mr. George W. Osborne, Miss G. C. Cusack and Mr. H. O. Billings. Later the hall was cleared and after refreshments had been served dancing was enjoyed until midnight. The committee on arrangements comprised E. W. Barney, J. D. Meskell, H. A. Smith, Mrs. C. W. Johnson, Miss Mary P. Ryan, and Miss Margaret Sullivan.

Symbol of the Sunflower.

Speaking of yellow, the sunflower, in flower language, is symbolical of false riches, for the following reasons: The Spaniards, when they invaded Peru, beheld gold on every hand, and when they saw the country covered with golden colored flowers they imagined they too, must be pure gold—not the only case where appearances have been deceptive. But by a perverse contradiction of this story the Spaniards themselves adopt the flower as a symbol of faith, and one of their poets says, "Real faith is like the sun's fair flowers, which midst the clouds that shroud it and the winds that wave it to and fro, and all the change of air and earth and sky doth bear its head and looketh up, still steadfast, to its God." So if you want to grow flowers you can take your choice of meanings.—Boston Traveler

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A tragedian recently playing Richard III in a small town, waited on after the show by an honest farmer, who said that "if the gentleman who wanted a horse was still of the same mind he would like to do business with him."

WABAN.

- Mr. G. M. Angier is away for the week.
- Mr. B. S. Blackman is away on a business trip.
- Mr. R. H. White, Jr., is confined to his house by illness.
- Mr. W. B. Locke, who has been quite ill the past two months, is slowly improving.
- Mr. Lott Mansfield has rented one of the suites in Mr. Strong's block for his mother.
- The Triangle club meets this evening with the rector to discuss the Nicaragua canal.
- Mr. J. E. Heymer has had a severe attack of the grip, but is now convalescing, also Mr. G. H. Rhodes.
- An account of the death of Mr. N. E. Roscoe, who died last Tuesday afternoon, is given in another column.
- Mr. Boothby, the veteran meat cutter, is living at S. L. Johnson's, Chestnut street, having moved there last week.
- The ladies of Waban meet this afternoon at 2 o'clock, at Mrs. D. L. Baker's, Windsor road, to sew for the Easter sale.
- Mr. and Mrs. A. Davidson's little son Donald, is now improving, but the little fellow's life had been almost despaired of at one time.
- The Boy's Club had a delightful evening at Newton Lower Falls last Tuesday, where they were entertained by the Boy's Forthright Club S. S. village.
- Mrs. M. A. Dresser of Chestnut street started Monday for Asheville, N. C., where she will spend the winter. Her son, H. K. Dresser, and family are at that place.
- Mrs. C. H. Cook has the profound sympathy of all in the loss of her sister, who died recently in Somerville with pneumonia. She was to have been married the day following her death. She is mourned by a large circle of friends and acquaintances.
- At the present time there are six houses under process of completion. Four are built by parties for their own occupancy and two by F. S. Small for speculative purposes. They are all first-class houses, and will be a credit to the village.
- The Waban Woman's Club met last Tuesday at the residence of Mrs. Albert H. Willis. The next meeting will be at Mrs. F. H. Wood's, Pine Ridge road, next Tuesday, at 2 o'clock. Miss Emma E. Porter of Newton Centre will read a paper on "The German Woman of the Middle Ages."
- Last Sunday Rev. Clifford G. Twombly preached in Waban, exchanging with the rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, who in turn, preached at Newton Highlands in the church of which he was formerly the rector. Mr. Twombly is the son of Rev. Alex. S. Twombly, who formerly had charge of the Waban services.
- In looking over western news this week the GRAPHIC man ran across an item from one of the Topeka, Kansas, papers, in regard to the singing of a Mr. Ernest Lawrence Zuis of Boston, at one of the largest churches there, in which it is commented upon very highly, and placing him among the leading positions. Mr. Zuis' home is in this place, and though his business is in the west he comes home several times during the year. He possesses a remarkable voice.
- The special services on Sunday evenings, continue to commend themselves. Next Sunday evening the rector will speak on "The Episcopal Church as a Basis of Unity." All are cordially invited. The music under the direction of Mrs. L. M. Flint, will include "Praise the Lord, O My Country," C. D. Parker, "Let the Words of My Mouth," C. B. Ford, "Still With Thee," solo by Mr. Theodore Wood. The regular choir will be assisted by Mrs. F. L. Miller, Mrs. B. S. Cloutman, Miss Maud Kendrick, Mr. Fred Westing, Mr. A. B. Harlow, and Mr. C. J. Buttram.

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NEWTON CENTRE.

—Mr. William Linn of Langley road is quite ill.
—Mr. Fred Wallace of Jackson street is ill with the grip.
—Mr. Herbert Cobb is here from Providence on a visit.
—Mr. Andrew Vachon left this week for a visit in Quebec.
—Miss Annie Sweetney has returned this week from the hospital.
—Mrs. Zadoc Long has returned from a visit to New York.
—Joseph, the young son of Thomas Burke, is ill with pneumonia.
—Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Claffin of Chase street are recovering from the grip.
—Mrs. H. H. Fairfield of Pleasant street is visiting her parents in Alfred, Me.
—Mr. Herbert D. Ward of Dudley street has returned from a trip to New Orleans.
—Mr. Arthur Ball of Centre street has recovered from an attack of the grip.
—The Circuit Cycle Club has removed its quarters from Bray block to the Circuit building.

—The annual reception of the Chestnut Hill Club was held in the club house on Tuesday evening.
—Mr. Charles Kenney of Holyoke is visiting his sister, Mrs. W. A. Prince of Newbury street.

—Mr. J. Bradley and family of Jamaica Plain have taken up their residence on Beacon street again.

—Newton Centre lodge 200, A. O. U. W. met Wednesday evening for the transaction of important business.

—On Crystal Lake, Monday afternoon, the N. H. S. team defeated the Cambridge High by a score of 4 to 0.

—At the Unitarian church the Sunday service will be conducted by Rev. W. E. Lane of Boston. Sunday school at 12.

—The subject of Rev. Mr. Spencer's sermon at the Methodist church next Sunday evening will be "With a Famous Revivalist."

—The Misses Ward of Ward street will close their residence here next week, and spend the remainder of the winter in Boston.

—Miss Sprague's home made cake, formerly sold at the Newton Centre Exchange, can now be had at A. L. Whitmore's, Bray block.

—The young people's society connected with the First Congregational church, held a social Wednesday evening, which was largely attended by members.

—At the meeting of the Newton Centre Woman's club yesterday morning in Bray small hall, Mrs. H. B. Eager delivered a lecture on "Present Day Pictures."

—In observance of Endeavor Day there will be a special service at the First Congregational church next Sunday evening, under the auspices of the Y. P. S. C. E.

—Arrangements are being made for the coffee party to be held next Wednesday evening under the auspices of the Church Debt Society connected with the Church of the Sacred Heart.

—This month's meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society, in connection with the Methodist Episcopal church will be held next Monday evening, and will take the form of a "gentlemen's night."

—Rev. E. Y. Mullins, pastor of the First Baptist church, has arranged a series of Sunday evening sermons, the first of which will be given next Sunday evening. The general topic is, "Making the most out of Life."

—"The Thespians," a dramatic organization of this place, went down to Newton, Monday evening, and successfully presented two bright comedies before a good audience, under the auspices of the Newton Entertainment Club.

—The Degree Whist Club of this place was entertained Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. Richard Whight on Lincoln street, Newton Highlands. The first prize was won by Mr. Albert Greenwood, and the first ladies' prize by Mrs. Rush. Mr. Gordon McMullin was awarded the booty.

—The first performance in the entertainment course given under the auspices of the Newton Centre Improvement Association was held Wednesday evening in the association hall. Mrs. Waldo Richards entertained a large audience with a recital of dramatic and dialect readings, and was cordially received. The next entertainment will be given March 1st.

—Mr. William H. Ward and daughter of Lowell and Mr. Samuel Ward of this place sailed yesterday from Boston on the Admiral Dewey, for Kingston, Jamaica. Following a visit in Jamaica the party will be the guests of Mr. F. S. Pearson, a celebrated electrical engineer of New York, and enjoy a cruise on his yacht "Coronet," to the Windward Island and West Indies. They expect to be absent a month or more.

—The Rev. Dr. William Butler, Monday, celebrated his 81st birthday. With Mrs. Butler he was tendered a reception in the Methodist parsonage, and many people called to pay their respects and congratulations to the venerable couple. Dr. Butler has in the past had wide experience as a missionary in India and Mexico, and his labors have been crowned with most fruitful results.

—A letter was received Monday from Mr. Peter A. Vachon, formerly of this place, but now a citizen of Dawson City, Klondike. It was dated Dec. 7, and contains a history of his trip from Boston to the gold regions. The hardships that Mr. Vachon's party suffered were unusually severe. Mr. Vachon is quite comfortably situated in Dawson City and likes the Alaska country. The thermometer on the day of writing registered 3 degrees below zero.

—When the president of the Newton & Boston Street Railway Co. asked Mr. George H. Ellis, the owner of Crystal Lake, if arrangements could be made whereby the ice should be kept clear of snow for the remainder of the winter, and electric lights placed in position across the lake, he found Mr. Ellis more than ready to co-operate. His houses had been filled with ice and if the lake was again frozen he would like to see the young people enjoy themselves. This week fifteen are lights from Norumbega Park have been placed in position with the assistance and co-operation of Mr. Claffin of the Commonwealth avenue company. The ice has been brilliantly illuminated during the evening, and the skating has been enjoyed by hundreds of persons after business hours, who would otherwise be deprived of the pleasure.

—Miss Edith Parker left this week for a visit to Ohio.

—Through the combined efforts of the officials of the Newton & Boston and Commonwealth avenue street railways, Crystal Lake has been made doubly attractive for skaters. A system of twelve are lights has been installed, making the lake and its banks particularly brilliant at night. The former company supplies the power for the lights, while the poles, globes, etc., are furnished by the Commonwealth avenue street railway. The ice is to be kept clear of snow, and will increase in popularity among skaters, not only in Newton but in Boston and its environs.

—Miss Hannah W. Loring died Tuesday morning at her home on Centre street after a brief illness, aged 88 years. Miss Loring was a native of Newton, and had always been her home at the Loring estate on Centre street with her sister Miss M. H. Loring. She was widely known for her philanthropies, and was of a particularly loving disposition, gaining the friendship and respect of all Newton residents. For over 70 years she had been a member, and regular attendant at the First Congregational church of this place. Until a short time prior to her death Miss Loring had enjoyed good health, and was remarkably active considering her advanced age. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon. Miss M. H. Loring is critically ill, and her recovery is despaired of.

NEWTON HIGHLANDS.

—Mr. Seward W. Jones has gone to Virginia for a few days.
—Miss Emeline C. Curtis is visiting friends in New York and Brooklyn.

—The next meeting of the Monday club will be with Mrs. Cobb, Forest street.

—Mr. Fred Hayward has gone to Colorado for a stay of two or three months.

—Officer Fletcher of Eliot has so far recovered from his illness as to be able to go out.

—The West End Literary club will meet on Monday next with Mrs. Brinkerhoff, Harrison street, at Eliot.

—Mr. Wellington of Eliot terraces has another cellar started for a house on the ever road, opposite the residence of Mr. Martell.

—The house at the corner of Woodward street and Orchard avenue belonging to the J. M. Bacon estate has been sold to Mr. Noonan of Eliot terraces.

—The third neighborhood conference of All Souls' church will be held Sunday evening, Feb. 12, at the residence of Mrs. Minerva C. Stone, Duncklee street.

—The Rev. J. F. McConnell, of the Methodist church, Newton Upper Falls, will preach at the Methodist church next Sunday morning. He is well worth hearing.

—Greenwood's Real Estate agency has leased the T. P. Ritchie house, at the corner of Duncklee and Walnut streets, to Mr. J. Q. Wetmore, who will occupy it March 1st.

—A choir of children from the Home for Little Wanderers, Boston, will sing at the Methodist church next Sunday evening at 7.30. The Rev. V. A. Cooper, D. D., superintendent of the home, will speak of the work done there.

—Mr. George B. Sherman will celebrate his sixtieth birthday Thursday evening, Feb. 10th, with a reception, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. N. B. Sherman on Floral avenue, from 8 to 10 o'clock.

—At an adjourned meeting of the Congregational church held on Thursday evening of last week, the annual appropriations for the estimated current expenses of the church were made, amounting to \$4,015. Deacon A. F. Hayward was elected superintendent of the Sunday school.

—On Saturday evening last Mr. and Mrs. Gorton entertained a few of their friends with a progressive euchre party at their residence on Hyde street. At the close of the game luncheon was served, after which readings by members of the Conservatory of Music and vocal selections by the host filled the remainder of the evening.

—The Rev. W. G. Puddefoot, author of "Minute Men of the Frontier," will give an address in the Congregational church next Sunday evening at 7.30. Mr. Puddefoot is the most lively and interesting speaker on the West in these parts. The public are cordially invited to come and hear him. All welcome.

—The fire alarm on Friday evening was on account of the accidental breaking of a lamp, and the oil taking fire in the apartment of Mr. R. H. White, Patterson block. The fire was quenched by the occupants without the aid of the fire department, with but little damage. The alarm on Sunday afternoon was on account of a slight fire in a closet at the residence of Mr. A. B. Putney.

—The painting by Darius Cobb, entitled "Judas in the Potter's Field," or "The Resurrection of Judas," is now on exhibition in the art gallery just opened by Houghton & Dutton. It was this painting of Judas that won for Mr. Cobb the order to paint the entire order for the historical collection now hung in the Tuilleries.

—At the morning service at All Souls' Unitarian church, Highland Club hall, next Sunday at 10.45, Rev. Wm. Safford Jones will preach. Sunday school at noon. There will be a special evening service at 7.30. Rev. F. B. Hornbrook of the Churching church, Newton, will lecture on "Christian Science." Mr. Hornbrook has been studying the various forms of occultism now in vogue, and his paper, and his utterances will be valuable. He will doubtless be greeted by a large congregation anxious to hear what a leader of thought in the Unitarian body will say in regard to Christian science. All who wish to hear the truth from an unprejudiced thinker are cordially invited.

—The monthly sociable of the Congregational society took place on Wednesday evening, and the attendance was very large. The seats at the supper table in the dining room were all taken and many waited for a second table. An entertainment in the chapel followed, consisting of piano solo by Miss Stone, who was also the accompanist, and a choice vocal selection by the church quartet, consisting of Mrs. Tewksbury, Miss Emerson of Newton, Dr. Jordan of Waban and Mr. A. E. Pennell, conductor, all of whom have been secured for the year. The selections were all finely rendered and elicited much applause. Then followed the presentation of "Jemima Greenwood's first visit to New York," in which the promises that were taken by Mrs. Bell in her most pleasing manner. Others taking part were Mrs. Newhall and Mr. Pennell as hostess and host, with Miss Pennell as assistant. The audience were delighted with this fine bit of acting. The committee of ladies having the supper and entertainment in charge scored a great success.

—"The smoke talk" enjoyed by the Highland club Saturday evening was a decided success. The entertainment consisted of selections on the piano and guitar rendered by Mr. Joseph Riley, accompanied by Mr. L. A. Carpenter. The piano playing of Mr. Riley was of the first order, and the many encores testified as to its pleasing and artistic qualities. The accompanist, Mr. Carter, also came in for his share of well merited applause. Ex-Alderman John E. Heymer gave some of his mirth-provoking sketches in his usual inimitable way, and the members were treated to a surprise by the selections given by Mr. John A. Lowell, for the recitations were not only splendidly impersonated, but were novel in every sense of the word. The affair was concluded with music by a selected chorus of the club members, under the direction of Mr. Walter Prescott, and the discussion of a chorale, of which the 60 odd members and their friends partook unsparingly, and which was pronounced to be of the first order. This is the first of a series of this class of entertainments, and the club have also in preparation a program for several ladies' nights. The club is to be congratulated on the increased membership and prosperous outlook for the coming year.

Noble E. Roscoe.

Mr. Noble E. Roscoe died at his home on Chestnut street, Waban, last Tuesday afternoon. He had been in failing health for several years, and his weakened constitution gave way under an attack of grip.

He was born in Cornwallis, N. J., but when a very small child removed with his mother to Boston, and had spent his life in this vicinity. He was associated for the greater part of his business life with the firm of Messrs. Sands & Lecky of South street, but had more lately been in business for himself at 31 High street as a broker in goat skin.

In October, 1889, he married Miss Louise H. Hall, who survives him. He leaves no children.

For nearly ten years Mr. Roscoe had resided in Waban, and while the condition of his health made it necessary for him to lead a quiet life, his circle of friends was large, and he was everywhere held in affectionate esteem. In his happy home and in his neighborhood interest he represented a type of character which won instant recognition. To the end he attended to his business with the same untiring energy, and his example of quiet and many fortitude made a deep impression upon those who knew him.

He lived in Waban during what may be regarded as the formative period in the life of this community, and he felt in its highest welfare and in its best development a keen interest, which was none the less genuine because of the physical conditions which sometimes prevented his sharing in those activities in which his character fitted him to take an important part.

Mrs. Roscoe possesses in a rare degree the deep sympathy of her friends and neighbors, whose understanding of her husband's high qualities deepens their sense of her bereavement.

Funeral services were held at the family residence last Tuesday at 12 o'clock, Rev. Wm. Hale Williams officiating. The burial was at Forest Hill.

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Elizabeth Cromwell.

Cromwell legends are so ubiquitous in England that it is a real relief to lay one's hand upon a bit of solid fact relating either to the protector or his family. Elizabeth, the second and favorite daughter of Cromwell, married John Claypole of Northborough, and appears to have spent a considerable portion of her 13 years of wedded life in his substantial fourteenth century house. Carlyle asserts Elizabeth Claypole to have been "a graceful, brave and amiable woman," and of her home that it is "now ruined—patched into a farmhouse."

The second statement is not characterized by his usual accuracy, and the first probably needs some modification, for Elizabeth Claypole is credited with some turning of her head over her father's elevation, and at a wedding feast is reported to have exclaimed, when asked why the wives of the major generals were absent, "I'll warrant you, washing their dishes at home, as they used to do." Not a particularly "amiable" sentence that.

Cromwell seems to have had some insight of her little weakness. "Tell her," he wrote once, "to take heed of departing heart and of being cozened, with worldly vanities and worldly company, which, I doubt, she is too subject to." It is agreed by most authorities that John Claypole himself was little enough of a Puritan, but let it stand to his credit that, after Oliver died, he provided a haven for his widow for the rest of her life in this manner house.—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

Barbers on the Ocean.

One of the most important persons on board a well equipped ocean liner is the barber. If he is gifted with a good business instinct, he is in a position to make a good deal of money.

To the average man shaving while at sea is a difficult and hazardous operation. He therefore calls into requisition the services of the ship's barber, a man who by long training is qualified to wield the razor with skill and safety, no matter how much the vessel rolls or pitches.

He is always one of the most heavily "tipped" officials on the ship. If the ship travels on a route with interesting ports of call, the ship's barber makes it his business to lay in a stock of native knickknacks and curios of all kinds.

The inexperienced traveler is naturally a little suspicious of the native peddlers who swarm on board with their wares directly the ship is at anchor. He prefers to purchase his mementos of foreign travel of the barber, who, having bought his stock at wholesale rates, is able to retail the various articles to passengers at prices little if at all higher than those charged by the native tradesman.—Exchange.

Judging by His Actions.

"I'm something of a mind reader," he said as they sat on opposite sides of the room.

"I think not," she replied, as her eyes ostentatiously measured the distance between them.—Detroit Free Press.

His Mongoose Experience.

"Although I sold tickets in a red circus wagon for years," continued the dime museum man, "I was badly fooled once in an animal deal. I mean by this that I fooled myself. I got a letter from a collector, who wanted to know if I would buy a mongoose. I wrote back to him that I would buy a mongoose, and it was to be in the museum ready for exhibition one Monday morning. I had a rather hazy idea of what the beast looked like, but I was sure that it was something big, with tusks, and I told our artist to go ahead on that idea and spread himself."

"He did. The picture he evolved would catch any one's eye at any range. He took a whole frame of canvas and painted for a background a tropical island, with the mongoose chewing up sailors on the shore."

"The picture was finished Sunday, and I couldn't help but rub my hands when I looked at it. The moment it was hung out people flocked around it, and the early morning attendance Monday was remarkable. The doors were opened before I got down, and as I went up stairs I could hear a subdued growl."

"That's the mongoose," I said to myself. "The idiots haven't fed it."

"It wasn't the mongoose. It was the crowd growing like a Roman mob behind the scenes. They had been lured by the picture, and when they got to the cage labeled 'Mongoose' they could not see the last at all. It had buried itself in the straw."—Chicago Tribune.

The Leopard and the Pan.

One day a worthy Kulu housewife came out from her cooking and, standing on the ledge of rock at her door, emptied a pan of boiling water into the rank herbage growing below. It fell, splash, on the back of a sleeping leopard, who jumped perpendicularly into the air as high as the roof of the hut. What might have happened next? Who can say? But the astonished woman dropped the pan with a clang upon the rock, and the leopard took one leap down hill. The pan followed, and the leopard's downward leaps became longer and swifter as the pan bounded after it from rock to rock.

When last seen the leopard had just achieved a leap of about 350 feet to the very bottom of the ravine, thousands of feet below, and the pan had whirled about 600 feet over it on to the opposite side. The leopard would have eaten the old woman with pleasure, but a pan which first scalded half the hide off him and then bounded clanging in his wake from the top of the Himalayas to the plains below was something which he could not face.—Good Words.

Is Your Name Here?

A contributor has been amusing himself by trying to answer the question or series of questions, What man in the history of the world whose name began with A—and after that every other letter of the alphabet in order—exerted the greatest influence upon the thought and conduct of mankind?

Of course there are some letters which are not very prolific in the names of great men, but we think most of our readers will be surprised to see how many of the most illustrious names in history are included and how few are excluded.

In some cases the compiler seems to have selected names quite as much with a view to comprehending in the list men of many countries, as because the name given was that of the greatest man of his time. The list follows:

Aristotle, Baco, Confucius, Darwin, Ezra, Franklin, Goethe, Homer, Isaiah, Justinian, Kant, Luther, Mohammed, Newton, Ossian, Plato, Quintilian, Rousseau, Shakespeare, Tasso, Uhland, Virgil, Washington, Xavier, Young, Zoroaster.—London Globe.

Dangers of Laughter.

It is surprising to learn from the highest medical authority in England that laughter may be injurious.

Laughter in itself, says the British Medical Journal, cannot very well kill, but it may do harm. Hysterical girls and boys with kindred nervous affections are often given to immoderate laughter, which tends to increase nervous exhaustion.

Dr. Feilchenfeld relates an instructive case in which a little girl suffered from very definite cardiac symptoms after immoderate laughter. The patient was 13 years old and had previously been free from any sign of heart disease. After laughing on and off for nearly an hour with some companions she suddenly felt stabbing pains in the chest and was seized with fits of coughing, followed by cardiac dyspnea, very well marked. Feilchenfeld believes that the cardiac disease directly resulted from immoderate laughing.

Defending His Profession.

"Now," said the attorney for the defense, "let us take up the bill presented by the plaintiff in this case for alleged services rendered to my client. I say alleged services, gentlemen of the jury, because these figures show every indication of having been doctored."

"Would it not be better to say 'lawyer'?" asked an indignant physician who was serving as one of the jurors.—Chicago Tribune.

Scotland's Strange Birds.

From the small island of St. Kilda, off Scotland, 20,000 young gannets and an immense number of eggs are annually collected, and although this bird lays only one egg per annum and is four years in obtaining its maturity its numbers do not diminish. Obviously such birds must reach a great age, or they would long ago have been exterminated.

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A certain parcel of land situated in said Newton in part and in part in Brookline in said County of Norfolk, and being the Northwesterly half of Lot B on a "Plan of land owned by Henry Lee situated at Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts, drawn by Joseph H. Curtis, Landscape Engineer, dated May 1892," recorded with Norfolk Deeds, Plan Book 15, Plan 664, and bounded and described as follows:

Southwesterly by Chestnut Hill Road, seventy-five (75) feet; Northwesterly by Lot A on said plan, one hundred and ten (10) feet; Northwesterly by Lot C on said plan, seventy-five (75) feet; and Southeasterly by the remaining portion of Lot B on said plan, one hundred and ten (10) feet. Containing in all 8250 square feet more or less. Being a portion of the premises conveyed by Henry Lee to Nettie E. Summers by deed dated June 15, 1894 recorded with Norfolk Deeds, Book 715 Page 316, and with Middlesex (South District) Deeds, Book 274 Page 268, and being hereby conveyed subject to the restrictions contained in said deed, and to the rights of drainage therein mentioned. Subject also to the provisions of an agreement between Henry Lee and G. B. Nichols et al., dated May 27, 1892 and recorded with said Norfolk Deeds, Book 285, Page 27.

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And with saddened mind the king ordered an everyday dinner of boiled vegetables.

But they made the sailor eat at the second table.—Yim.

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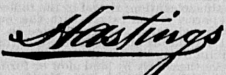
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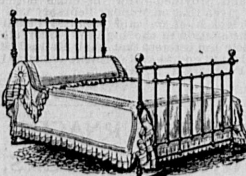
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-Alderman Ivy has been ill at his home on Fairmont avenue.

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-Mrs. T. W. Adams of Church street has been quite ill at her home.

-Rev. Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Davis leave next week for Detroit, Michigan.

-Mr. A. S. March and family of Park street are in Washington this week.

-Mrs. John Van Biskirk has returned from a visit with friends in Medford.

-Dr. T. O. Loveland of Elmwood street has recovered from his recent illness.

-Miss C. Blanche Rice is considering an offer to join company number 2 of the "Turtle."

-Mr. Horace Soule of Bellevue street has returned from a business trip to New York.

-Mr. J. Howard Nichols has been elected a vice president of the Castilian Club of Boston.

-Mrs. Henry Waitt has recovered from her recent illness and is able to be out again.

-Mrs. L. P. Bowers of Pembroke street is in New York, enjoying a several weeks visit.

-Mr. and Mrs. Morton Cobb will occupy ex-Mayor Cobb's house during his absence in Mexico.

-Mrs. Luther Adams of Fairmont avenue is reported as improving after her recent severe illness.

-Gordon, the young son of Mr. George E. Newcomb of Emerson street, is reported improving in health.

-The regular meeting of the Women's association of the Eliot church was held Tuesday afternoon.

-Mr. John Alden of Centre street has been confined to the house this week, the result of an accident.

-There was a sewing meeting of the Channing Sewing Circle in the church parlors yesterday morning.

-Prof. George K. Morris supplied the pulpit of the Lafayette street Methodist church in Salem last Sunday.

-Mr. W. C. Bates lectured on "Our Tropical Neighbors" in the North End Union Course last Saturday evening.

-A meeting of the Unitarian Club of Channing church will be held next Thursday evening in the church parlors.

-The young people's meeting at the Immanuel Baptist church next Sunday evening, will be led by Mr. Arthur J. Ball.

-Messrs. A. B. Tarver and Sidney Harwood have been elected directors of the Massachusetts Consolidated Mining Co.

-A choice line of valentines in lace, cards and novelties at the Newton Bazaar from 1 cent to 50. Novelties for favors, 2c.

-Mr. E. R. Burbank of Hotel Hunnewell, has moved his real estate office in Boston, to room 1022, Exchange Building.

-Mr. Frank H. Burt is court stenographer at the Hogan-Clayton murder trial at the Superior Court in Boston this week.

-The Eight O'Clock Club was entertained last evening at the residence of Mr. W. C. Scarborough on Washington street.

-Mrs. T. B. Casey has issued invitations for an afternoon whist at the Hunnewell Club, Tuesday afternoon, Feb. 14, from 2 to 6.

-The regular meeting of the Women's association of the Eliot church was held Wednesday afternoon at the Baptist church.

-Mr. L. C. Moore, state bank examiner for Connecticut, visited Feb. 15, and Mrs. C. E. Holmes of Wesley street last Sunday.

-The Young Men's Club, connected with the Eliot church, will meet next Tuesday evening, when an interesting session is promised.

-A company of twenty-four young folk of this place, enjoyed a sleigh ride to South Natick and returned Tuesday evening, in Cate's handsome boat sleigh.

-At the Amherst Alumni dinner held at Hotel Brunswick, Boston, Monday evening, Mr. Samuel L. Powers spoke representing Dartmouth College.

-Mr. and Mrs. Henry Brooks and the Misses Brooks, attended the Myopia and Norfolk Hunt clubs ball in Paul Revere hall, Boston, last Friday evening.

-Mrs. Harvey Parker Towle of the committee on suggestions for lines of study for the Women's Clubs of the state.

-The topic at next Sunday's meeting of the Business Men's class at Eliot church will be "Ought the United States to Pass Restrictive Immigration Laws?"

-The Social Science Club will meet at the Hunnewell Club, Wednesday, Feb. 15, at 10 o'clock. Miss Hodgkins will address the club on "Current Speech." Each member may invite two guests.

-Lent begins next Wednesday and continues until April 24. Grace church will be open on Ash Wednesday at 10.45 a. m. and 8 p. m. Also on Thursday and Saturday at 4, and on Friday at 8.

-A union meeting of the Ladies prayer meeting and Young Women's Mission club to observe the day of prayer for foreign missions, was held Wednesday afternoon at the Baptist church.

-In the Methodist church vestry next Monday evening, a meeting of the church history class will be held when the study of Medieval history will be continued. The special topic is "Changes in Ecclesiastical Life."

-Bunting's Fish Market is to be reopened next Tuesday, by Messrs. Thomas & Burns, at the old location, 12 Centre St. This is the only market in the vicinity devoted exclusively to fish, and it is to be carried on in first class style.

-At Grace church next Monday evening the second recital of Mr. Edgar Barrill, organist, and Mr. Charles N. Sladen, tenor, will be held. An excellent program has been arranged consisting of selections from Bach, Haydn, Barnby, Stainer, Handel and other famous composers.

-The members of the Sarah Hull Chapter, D. R., will meet with the regent, Mrs. Alexander M. Ferris, 87 Washington street, Hunnewell Hill, on Monday afternoon, Feb. 13, from three until six o'clock. Mrs. Ferris will give a paper entitled "My experience in the Civil War."

-Warren Dresser of Nonantum, while walking along the tracks of the Boston & Albany railroad, between Faneuil and the Newton station, Tuesday evening, became confused by the snow, missed his footing, and fell down an embankment 25 feet high. His right arm was broken and he received a number of serious cuts and bruises. After

receiving the attention of a physician, he was removed to his home.

-Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Gay of Billings park are in Washington this week.

-Mr. Horace Soule of Bellevue street has returned from a New York trip.

-Ex-Mayor Cobb and family leave this week for an extended trip to Mexico.

-There will be a meeting of the whist club next Tuesday evening with R. D. Holt of Centre street.

-The Young People's meeting at the Eliot church next Sunday evening, will be led by Mr. Edward I. Leeds.

-The engagement is announced of Miss E. Louise Brackett, formerly of this place, but now of Boston, to Mr. C. Hadley Kinder of Boston.

-The Rev. Geo. J. Prescott of Boston is to be the speaker at the Lenten services, Grace church, on Wednesday evenings, commencing Feb. 15th.

-A feature at this evening's prayer meeting at the Eliot church will be the consideration of the notable missionary events that have taken place during the past year.

-Special services in Grace church during Lent will be on Wednesdays and Fridays at 8 p. m., Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 4 p. m. Open to all. Seats free.

-There was a meeting of the Monday Evening Club, Monday evening, at the residence of Mr. S. Curtis Smith on Fairmont avenue. Rev. E. H. Byington, D. D., gave an address on "The Puritan in Business."

-Mr. Warren P. Tyler is steadily improving in health, and is now able to be about the house, and see his friends who call, but is not considered well for him to be out of doors much until milder weather.

-News was received here this week of the death of Mrs. Dr. A. M. Dam, formerly of Belmont street, but now of Malden, Mass. Mrs. Dam made her summer home in Newton, and was popular among a large circle of friends.

-There will be a meeting of Newton lodge, Knights of Pythias, in the lodge hall, Nonantum building, next Wednesday evening, when the degree team from the Waltham lodge will conduct the ceremonies.

-The monthly sociable held Tuesday evening at Eliot church was attended by about 200, and was one of the most successful this season. There were solos by Miss Emerson, followed by charades, making a most pleasing informal entertainment.

-By an arrangement made between six Episcopalian clergymen, a special series of sermons on "Some Questions People Ought to Ask," will be delivered in two Newton churches on Sunday nights during Lent, Grace church, Newton, and the Church of the Resurrection, Auburndale.

-Invitations have been issued by the hostesses of the committee of the Channing church to members of the parish, inviting them to meet Rev. and Mrs. Hornbrook next Monday evening in the church parlors. The reception will be held from 8 to 10 o'clock.

-Dr. Davis, pastor of the Eliot church, spoke at Beverly last evening, before the Church Furnishing Society of the Washington Street Church in that place. His topic was "A Summer's Cruise on a Winter Coast," being an exhaustive description of a recent trip along the Alaska shores.

-Funeral services over the remains of Mrs. Lucy Jackson Parks, whose death occurred last week Thursday, were held at her late residence, 1122 Centre street, Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. G. E. Moore, officiating. The service was interspersed with the hymns "Nearer, My God, to Thee" and "The Church's One Foundation." The casket was borne by the members of the church.

-Monday evening, in the parlors of the Channing church, the annual meeting of the Channing Religious Society was held. Reports were received from the different branches, and the following officers elected: F. W. Stone, clerk; H. C. Sawin, treas.; A. Byfield, F. A. Wetherbee, C. E. Lord, L. H. Farlow, and H. B. Coffin, standing committee.

-Among the Newton people who left for New Orleans and California, or Mexico, yesterday, with the Raymond excursion, were Mr. Daniel Dewey, and Miss Marjorie Dewey of Newton, Mr. C. W. Leonard and wife, and Master C. R. Leonard of West Newton, Mr. M. W. French and wife, Miss Alice French, and Miss A. E. Chisholm of Newtonville.

-A good-sized audience enjoyed the musical entertainment given Wednesday evening, in Y. M. C. A. hall by Prof. J. Jay Watson, the well known violinist, Miss Annie A. Watson, pianist, and Miss Margaret Curtis, reader. The selections were especially good, and formed one of the most pleasing concert programs that has been heard in this place for some time.

-Music in Eliot church next Sunday:

MORNING.

Organ prelude, Allegretto Grazioso. Tours

Quartet, "Father in Thy Mysterious Presence." Scott

Offertory, Morning Hymn. Rheinberger

Organ postlude, Offertoire in F. Turtle

EVENING.

Organ prelude, Pastorale. Foote

Antiphon, "Blessed are they." Tours

Tenor solo, "Come unto me." Leslie

Organ selections, at close of service. Maistre

Pastorale op. 103. Merkel

Grand Chorus. Salome

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NOTICES

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sion fee is charged must be paid for at regu-

lar rates, 25 cents per line in the reading

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THE CONCRETE CONTRACT.

There has been some curiosity as to the

reasons for giving a hearing to one of the

bidders who failed to receive the concrete

award, but it was done at the request of

Mayor Wilson, one of the Messrs. Warren

being a neighbor of his. It might be said

that the highway committee were rather

surprised on opening the bids, to receive

one from a firm in Colorado, and did not

know that any of the firm lived in West

Newton. As the firm was so far away, it

is hardly surprising that the committee did

not consider the bid seriously.

The committee voted to award the con-

tract to Simpson Brothers, who have done

the work in a perfectly satisfactory man-

ner for the past twenty years, and at a less

rate than has been paid by either Waltham

or Brookline, towns on either side of us, so

that it can be seen that the city has not

been paying an excessive price.

There are all sorts of concrete, and prob-

ably there is no work where so much de-

pends on the honesty of the contractors.

Poor concrete is not worth having at any

price, and hence cities generally prefer to

have such work done by parties who have

had experience in the vicinity or of whom

something is known. No complaint has

ever been heard of the work done by the

Simpson Brothers; it wears well, and the

city appears to have got the full worth of

its money. The Simpsons are also among

our most public spirited citizens, and they

pay large taxes into the city.

At the hearing on Wednesday the Messrs.

Warren presented their view of the case.

They claimed to have done a great amount

of work in Colorado, and to have a high

reputation there. They also claimed to be

able to establish a plant in Newton and to

do good work here, and also made other

claims about the sums the city would save

by giving them the contract, about which

there is a decided difference of opinion.

There is said to be money in concrete,

and as so much of this kind of work is

done in this vicinity, it is not surprising

that a Western firm would like to get a

foothold in Newton, from which they

could branch out to other places. It is

wholly a matter of business with them,

and no fault can be found with them for

making a strenuous effort, and for making

a very low bid to secure a contract. But

the point is, whether it would pay Newton

to make a change. We have a firm of home

contractors, whom we have found to be

perfectly reliable. We might save a little

for one year, but there is no assurance that

it would be for more than one year, and

while the work of the Messrs. Warren

might be perfectly satisfactory, it would be

in the nature of an experiment, as Colo-

rado is a good many miles away. When

the Warrens have done work in this vicinity

which has stood the test of our climate for

several years, then they would be in a dif-

ferent position.

STREET RAILWAY PROJECTS.

Newton seems to be right in the midst of

an extraordinary street railway develop-

ment, judging from the great number of

petitions for locations, presented at Mon-

day night's meeting of the aldermen.

But out of the great number presented,

there is one that seems to have more than

the usual comprehensiveness for the de-

velopment of Newton's unoccupied ter-

ritory. The North side of the city has had

the advantage of having all its villages,

save Auburndale, closely connected with

each other, and the result has been highly

favorable to the growth of a more united

feeling, while such frequent means of com-

munication has been a distinct advantage

in building up the unoccupied space be-

tween the business centres.

It is now proposed to do for the south

side, what has been done for the north

side, and the Newton & Boston company

has presented a comprehensive plan for

uniting all the South side villages. This is

to extend the Wellesley & Boston through

Beacon street to Waban, which has now no

street railway service, and where the city

owns a large amount of land, which is now

proposed to bring into the market. A

street railway would be of great benefit in

this respect, and the land would bring

enough more to make it profitable to widen

that part of Beacon street, which is now

not built upon. The route after crossing

the railroad bridge at Waban, follows

Woodward street to the tracks of the New-

ton & Boston line. Then the latter com-

pany take up the line, using its present

tracks to the square at Newton Highlands.

Here it crosses the Boston & Albany, and

follows Centre street to Paul, and then to

Cypress, and over the railroad bridge to the

square at Newton Centre. Then it follows

Beacon street along the reservoir at Chest-

nut Hill to the West End tracks at the head

of the Beacon street boulevard.

Most of the territory through which the

line would run is but sparsely built upon, so that it would make a great section accessible, and many new houses would soon be built along the route. It would probably not be profitable for several years, but it would be a popular line for summer travel, as it would run through the most beautiful section of Newton, and it brings all the South side villages into close communication with each other.

Our street railway development presents many difficult problems, on account of our narrow streets, and the scattered nature of the population, so that the only wise course is to follow some comprehensive plan in the granting of franchises, and avoid the duplication of tracks, and the necessity of frequent transfers, which are a nuisance to the travelling public.

The Newton & Boston company has the credit of being the most public spirited among the street railways having franchises in Newton, its cars are splendidly equipped, both in winter and summer, and it has always shown a very liberal spirit in the granting of free transfers, and scholars tickets and other things that the public ask for. The stockholders are Newton men, and so far they seem to be trusting to the future for their dividends, and giving the public every accommodation asked for. It is this spirit which will incline the public to listen favorably to their petition for new locations.

The only village on the north side that is still cut off from direct communication with others is Auburndale, but this would have been given long ago if the city had followed the recommendations of the Commission appointed by Mayor Hibbard, to consider the development of Newton, and which reported unanimously in favor of the widening of Auburn street. Other recommendations of the commission have been carried out, but this still hangs fire, so that North side people have to pay two fares, and make a transfer, in order to reach the river, or to visit Norumbega Park.

SENATOR LODGE is said to have received the personal thanks of the President for his efforts to get the treaty passed. It now appears, from what was said in the Senate Tuesday, that the necessary votes were obtained by a promise that resolutions would be passed, directly after the vote on the treaty, declaring that the Philippines should never become a part of the United States. Senator Mason says he was promised this, and other Senators have asserted the same. But the agreement has been repudiated, which shows the character of the men who had the treaty in charge. But the treaty has been passed and the United States finds itself in the strange position of being compelled to murder foreign people by wholesale, because they wish to be free and independent. We have already killed several thousand, including a number of women, who fought with their husbands and brothers in defence of their right to govern themselves, and the Imperialists are already declaring for a war of extermination. Of course the islands are believed to be very rich and valuable, no one would want them if they were not, and they offer a rich field for exploitation, and therefore there is a great demand that we shall Christianize them by killing off all the "rebels" who dare to have any patriotic aspirations and so come into our heritage from the war. Of course we have bought these "rebels" for two dollars a head, which gives us a right to shoot them down by wholesale if we wish. They are our "property."

THE board of aldermen did about as much business Monday night as was done at any meeting last year, and yet were able to adjourn at a little after nine o'clock. Chairman Knowlton seems to be the right man for the place, and the board can congratulate themselves upon having such an efficient chairman. Evidently the hack bills will not be as large as last year, if this thing keeps up, and the appropriation for that purpose will not have to be exceeded. If the long debates that were characteristic of last year's board had been real discussions of public matters, for the purpose of enlightening the people, there would not have been any objection to them, but as they were chiefly legal hair-splitting, in regard to rules of order, and other trifling matters, in which the general public had no possible interest, they were mainly a waste of time, and hence it is hoped that they will not be renewed this year. It is rather hard on the members of the board who come there to do business, to have to be kept until midnight to hear long drawn out discussions, which have only a remote connection with the matters in hand.

ADMIRAL SAMPSON in his speech at the Boston reception made one remark that is highly suggestive of what we may expect in the near future. He said that we must have more ships, more guns and more men, and all that goes to constitute an efficient navy. The increased territory that we have added to our country will probably produce an increase in our changes for war by at least a hundred per cent, and our navy will have to be increased to correspond. This will be only one of the items of the increased expenses under our new policy of imperialism, and forcing our government on unwilling peoples.

WALTHAM is having a vigorous fight over a proposed removal of snow ordinance. Many people there as elsewhere object to being compelled to clean their sidewalks, while others clean them without being compelled to do so.

THE BOSTON GLOBE says: "Newton has enough street railway schemes on its hands for a metropolis. Is there a colored individual in the mould of wood, and if so, who?"

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Doctor Martin wishes to announce that the class in nursing is not yet complete and applications are still in order. This is a selected class and consists of twenty lessons, covering a period of ten weeks. Address,

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NEWTON LOWER FALLS.

The ladies' society of the Methodist church will hold their annual fair in Freeman hall, Feb. 22nd, afternoon and evening. Supper from 6 to 8 o'clock.

THE LEGISLATURE.

NEWTON BILLS MAKING PROGRESS AND NEWTON IDEAS ADOPTED BY OTHER CITIES—THE PRISONS OF THE STATE—ADDING CHANDLER'S AND STRONG'S FIELDS TO THE PARK SYSTEM—MR. LANGFORD'S IDEA OF NOMINATIONS BY A DIRECT VOTE OF THE PEOPLE.

(Special Legislative Correspondence.)

Boston, Feb. 8.

Most of the special Newton bills which were heard last week are making rapid progress through the calendar, there being no opposition to them. Meanwhile Mr. Chadwick has had the satisfaction of seeing that the Newton idea concerning the expense and uselessness of a special election by the people to fill an aldermanic vacancy for a short period has made a great impression upon the committee on cities. When the Melrose charter came up in the committee for a hearing the other day, it was pointed out to the Melrose people that they would do well to follow the Newton precedent and arrange to fill aldermanic vacancies by elections in the board. The townspeople of Melrose, accustomed to keep their hands upon everything in town meeting, rather objected to this, and intimated that there were chances for all sorts of strange things to occur, principal of which was the likelihood that the politics of the ward would be upset by the man selected by the aldermen, representing the opposite political party from the one who died and created the vacancy. Some one suggested that the Newton amendment be added with a further amendment that the successor should be of the same political party. This was promptly sat upon by Chairman Chamberlain, however, who thought that was more politics than he could stand. The Melrose charter will undoubtedly contain the Newton provision when reported.

But there is a Melrose idea which it will not contain. I referred to the reluctance of the new city to give up its town meeting ways. The suggested charter contains a provision that every franchise granted by the aldermen shall be subject to acceptance by the people at a special election. This is the most popular feature of the bill, and it is, so far as Melrose is concerned, but it comes into direct conflict with the special street railway law of last year, which says that franchises shall be granted by the aldermen, and if there is sufficient objection, shall be subject to revision by the railroad commissioners. The Melrose charter leaves no chance for Mr. Bishop's board, and of course there is a small likelihood that the general court will repeal the street railway law, while if they make the charter subject to the present laws, it will be of effect in this particular.

The annual report of F. G. Pettigrove, general superintendent of prisons, came out a day or two since, and in it he gives a general review of the results of the changes which have been made in the prisons by the law passed last year, to which I had occasion to make several references. That law made it peremptory to do all prison labor by the public account plan, excepting chains and other small things, and even of a suitable industry were found, as the land is now crowded with buildings. The master had kept a number of men preparing concrete for use on public buildings in the county, which the superintendent thinks is worthy of attention.

He says that for years the sheriff has employed 25 men in the Lowell jail sorting out prisoners, and this has been changed to the piece price agreement to public account. I notice that Mr. Pettigrove suggests that the law be amended so as to permit more prisoners to be transferred from jail to houses of correction, and that the piece price agreement to public account. I notice that Mr. Pettigrove suggests that the law be amended so as to permit more prisoners to be transferred from jail to houses of correction, and that the piece price agreement to public account. I notice that Mr. Pettigrove suggests that the law be amended so as to permit more prisoners to be transferred from jail to houses of correction, and that the piece price agreement to public account.

I notice that Charles W. Pierce has put in a petition that the Boston park commissioners be authorized to take Downing's pond and Chandler's pond in Brighton and Newton, and fill any part or the whole of them, adding them to the park system of Boston. An issue of bonds of Boston for \$200,000 is authorized by the bill.

Mr. Salter's Lynn has put in a bill to authorize his city to vote on the question, "Shall Lynn remain in the Metropolitan Park System?" If the vote is in the negative all relations of Lynn to the park system are to be terminated, and of course it will be impossible for such a bill to go through. Lynn justly complains that she is getting nothing out of the scheme, having purchased her own park, Lynn Woods, which have never been taken by the metropolitan park commissioners, but for the city to be released from all obligations which have been entered into in the issue of bonds, and to have her to be a part of the system, would be to incur the burdens upon the rest, if it did not vitiate the bonds. The key to the trouble is to take the Lynn Woods, at least to assure the care of them, and to make that beautiful park an integral part of the system, and then the Lynners will have no reason to kick.

Mr. Chadwick is going to have a chance to join the committee on cities in a crusade against the growing practice of having cities come to the general court for frequent exemption from the law limiting municipal expenditures. The matter was brought to the front this week through a petition of Fitchburg for the right to go outside the debt limit \$100,000 for the purpose of building a hospital. The favorite plan, however, is for the city to apply for leave to borrow money for school purposes. Of course giving this permission releases an equal amount of money which might be used to build a school, and which would arouse so much sympathy at the legislature. The governor is said to object to so many of these exemptions, and unless the cities' committee, through adverse reports, is able to stop it, it is likely to take a hand in it through some veto.

Mr. Langford is naturally pleased to have the secretary of the commonwealth recommend the nominations for the general court and for municipal offices by direct vote of the people in the caucuses, a principle for which he has contended in the past. I should not be surprised to see such a bill go through this year. It has come in in several different ways, but of course the powerful support of Col. Olin is worth a good many votes to it.

Senator Dallinger has put in a petition that the Cambridge bridge commissioners may construct an island in the Charles river on such lines as may be approved by the harbor and land commissioners. The principal feature of the bill seems to be that no compensation for tide water displacement shall be required.

Rev. Dr. Strong of Auburndale acted as chaplain of the senate, Thursday.

Sheriff Cushing has a petition in that

will permit him to appoint an additional deputy to serve as a permanent officer of the probate court, his salary to be the same as that of the deputy in attendance at the superior court, and paid from the treasury of Middlesex county.

A very important bill comes in from the metropolitan park commissioners, on petition providing that they be given authority to grant locations for street railways within and upon the roads, boulevards, parks and reservations in its care and control. I understand that it is desired that the right to run cars in the Blue Hills parkway may be granted at once, and of course the street railway spaces would not have been left in the Fellsway boulevard and elsewhere unless it was designed to run cars in them.

Senator Harwood has been missing from his seat for a day or two, much to the concern of his friends, who fear he is sick.

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NEWTON.

is a valuable contribution to the history of Massachusetts, and reflects credit upon Mr. Bart for his thorough and painstaking work.

—Miss Bertha Bush gave an enjoyable sleigh ride to a number of playmates, Tuesday afternoon.

—Dr. and Mrs. Stubbs of Centre street entertained the whist club at their residence, Wednesday evening.

—The Young Ladies Missionary society was entertained by Miss Trowbridge at her home on Kenrick park Wednesday afternoon.

—Gentlemen desiring their razors satisfactorily sharpened, honed and put in proper condition, should communicate with Burns, Cole's block.

—Mrs. Emma J. Ferris has sold the estate at 102 Hunnewell avenue to Mr. W. D. Swan of Newtonville. The brokers were Turner & Williams of Newtonville.

—At the recent annual meeting of the Elliot Religious Society, a vote of thanks, unanimously adopted, was extended to Mr. Everett E. Truette, the organist, and to each member of the choir, for their able and satisfactory services rendered during the year.

—Music at Grace church Sunday evening: Processional, "Alleluia sing to Jesus." Elliott Magnificat. Kimmens. "The Lord is my Shepherd." Himmell. "The Lord is my Shepherd." Himmell. Retrospection, "Christ is made the sure foundation." Ware. Seats free.

—Music at Channing church next Sunday morning: Prelude, "Elegie" for cello. Von Goens Magnificat. Parker. Largo, for cello. Handel. "How long with Thine forget me?" Pfueger. Postlude, Hosanna. Schubert. Mr. Hermann Heberlein of the Boston Symphony Orchestra will play the cello numbers.

—Last evening at the residence of Rev. E. L. Clark 75 Marlboro street, Boston, took place the marriage of Mr. Edward Quincy Robinson son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Robinson of Channing street, to Miss Anna Constance Peters of Jamaica Plain. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. H. Clark in the presence of a small company of relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Robinson will make their home at 86 Wyman street, Boylston Station, Jamaica Plain where they will be at home to friends after April 1st.

—The monthly sociable at the Immanuel Baptist church, last evening, was an occasion of unusual interest and importance. It took the form of a farewell reception to Rev. Mr. Merrill, the pastor, who is soon to leave for Colgate University, where he will assume the duties of president. There was a large number of church members present last evening, and the different branches of the church were well represented. At 7 o'clock supper was served, followed by musical selections and speeches. Among those who addressed the gathering were Mr. F. H. Tucker, who acted as toastmaster, Mr. Stephen Moore, Mr. Clark of Northfield, Mr. H. F. Bent of Water-ton, Mr. William Capen, Mr. Pitt F. Parker and Mr. A. A. Howe. The speakers expressed their sincere regret at Mr. Merrill's departure, and spoke of his faithful and efficient pastorate. Rev. Mr. Merrill replied thanking the members for their interest and support. The musical numbers were furnished by Miss Folger, Helen Carter Wright, Mrs. Allen and Mr. Rose.

—The Mock Court Trial to be given under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. on Wednesday evening, Feb. 15, promises to be an event of unusual interest. It will be, in the first place, an exact reproduction of a court scene in methods and procedure and on this account will possess the charm of novelty to ladies and others who have never attended a real trial. Best of all will be the refined fun of the whole affair. With Hon. Thomas Weston presiding over the court, Mr. J. M. Niles appearing as the complainant, the one who lost the rooster, Mr. James Paxton as the alleged guilty party, Messrs. Garcelon and Perry prosecuting the accused, and Mr. Ensign and Col. Newton defending him, to say nothing of the array of court officers, witnesses and jurors, it is pretty certain we will have all the comedy and reality of a court scene, and enough wholesome fun to last all summer. Below will be found the full list of participants. It will be a long time before so many of our prominent citizens are again seen in just such a relation and it will be well for all who desire an evening of rare enjoyment to be present and hear what they have to say about the stolen rooster. This is the make-up of the court: Judge, Hon. Thomas Weston; Clerk of court, A. H. Weese, Court officer, E. O. Childs; clerk, E. N. Scott; complainant, J. M. Niles; defendant, James Paxton; prosecuting attorneys, W. F. Garcelon of Newton, and C. B. Perry of Worcester; defendant's attorneys, C. S. Ensign of Newton, and Col. A. V. Newton of Worcester. Witnesses, C. O. Tucker, F. H. Howes, G. D. Gilman, H. C. Spencer, and J. E. Whitman. Jurors, Geo. H. Morgan, E. L. Barnes, F. H. Tucker, Geo. W. Hughes, Thos. Weston, Jr., J. H. Robinson, T. W. Townbridge, J. M. Briggs, A. A. Sweet, Alden A. Howe, C. D. Kepner, and John Morgan.

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NEWTONVILLE.

—Mr. H. R. Dennison of Clifton place is in Portland for a short visit.

—Mr. Morton Kimball of Harvard street has recovered from his recent illness.

—Miss Bertha Hackett of Highland avenue has recovered from her recent illness.

—Mr. George H. Pierce, who has been living at 33 Lowell avenue, has removed to Newton.

—The Bohemian Whist club will give a dance at the Woodland Park Hotel, Thursday evening.

—The monthly vespers service was held at the Central Congregational church Sunday evening.

—Mr. Charles Adams of Illinois is the guest of his sister, Mrs. A. W. Joselyn on Cabot street.

—Mr. John Harrington of Court street has accepted a position with the Newtonville Trust Co.

—Mr. Richard West of Lowell avenue has taken a trip to the Adirondack Mountains for his health.

—Cotter & Morrell, masons, have opened an office at the corner of Walnut and Washington streets.

—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph N. Lovell of Parsons street are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter.

—Mrs. Edward W. Yose, who has been ill for some time at her home on Cabot street, is convalescing.

—The monthly church meeting of the Universalist Society was held Friday evening in the church parlors.

—Mr. and Mrs. E. S. George of Omar terrace are receiving congratulations on the birth of a little daughter.

—The Jefferson Club will hold its first regular dance of the season at Armory hall, Newton, this evening.

—Mr. Daniel Lynch, foreman of the Newtonville Cab Co., has been ill for several days with the grip.

—A social meeting of the Charity Square was held at the Central Congregational church Wednesday afternoon.

—Messrs. George Sibley and Charles Draper will hold a dance in Dennison hall on Tuesday evening, Feb. 14th.

—Mr. N. W. French and family of Newtonville avenue left yesterday morning for a three weeks' trip to California.

—Mr. Charles Atwood, Austin street, was the tenor soloist at the song recital given at Salem, Wednesday evening.

—The Lend-a-Hand Club will be entertained Thursday afternoon by Mrs. Charles S. Nickerson at her home on Henshaw street.

—Mr. Barlow of Parsons street is in Springfield attending the grand encampment of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

—There are letters remaining in the post office for Joseph Brewer, L. H. Palmer, H. Stubbs, Crafts street, and Miss Linda Coolidge.

—Mr. J. Edward Watson and family, formerly living on Austin street, have removed to the corner of Parsons and Washington streets.

—On Tuesday evening, Feb. 14, in G. A. R. hall, a camp fire will be held. Comrades and ladies will be present, and the associate members and their ladies will be the special guests.

—Mr. Fred Currier and family now occupy the house on Cambridge street, which was formerly owned by Mr. Case of Brookline, but which Mr. Currier has purchased.

—Tae Y. P. C. U. held a social and business meeting Sunday evening at the Universalist church parlors. There was a good attendance and a pleasant evening passed.

—Miss Alice M. Field, secretary of W. B. F. M., made an interesting address at the Ladies' Foreign Missionary meeting, at the Central Congregational church, Wednesday afternoon.

—In celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of their wedding, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Bailey will hold a reception at their residence on Cabot street, Tuesday evening, Feb. 14th.

—A large delegation of young people will attend the annual meeting of Young Ladies' Foreign Missionary Societies at Boylston church, Jamaica Plain, Saturday afternoon and evening.

—The monthly missionary meeting will be held at the Central Congregational church this evening. The report of the standing committee will be presented and appropriations will be made.

—The regular meeting of Dalhousie lodge was held Wednesday evening. The first and second degrees were worked on several candidates. A collation was served at the close of the business session.

—Miss Grace S. Rice, a former resident of this ward, died suddenly at her home in Cambridge, on Sunday last. She was a valued member of the Cantabrigia Club, and for many years corresponding secretary of the same.

—An enjoyable social was held Tuesday evening in the parlors of the Central Congregational church. There was a good attendance and a pleasing musical and literary program was presented. Refreshments were served during the social hour.

—We understand that Mr. S. D. Hayden of Highland avenue has been engaged as the architect of the new houses Messrs. Higgins & Nickerson are to build on Lowell avenue. Messrs. Higgins & Nickerson are greatly improving this part of the city.

—John E. Comey, a carpenter employed by William Kellar of Waltham, reported at police headquarters, Wednesday morning, that some time Tuesday night a new house on Austin street was entered by means of an unfastened window. Two tool chests were broken open, and a quantity of carpenter's tools valued at \$15, stolen.

—At the Methodist Episcopal church next Sunday evening at 7:30, Miss O. H. Lawrence, the eloquent and efficient missionary speaker of the Dutch Reformed church, will make a missionary address. Miss Alice Jones and Mrs. Arthur Jones will sing by request. All seats free. All are cordially invited. Morning service at 10:45. The pastor, Rev. Franklin Hamilton, will preach. Strangers most earnestly invited.

—A parish social was held last evening in the Universalist church parlors under the auspices of the Lend-a-Hand Club. A crazy supper was served at 6:30. The waiters were dressed in appropriate costumes. A pleasing program was presented during the evening, including songs by Miss May Parks and Mr. Hunting, and readings by Miss Beatrice Cook. A short play entitled "Betty Baker" was given with great success by the following young people: Miss Frances Pope, Miss Mabel Curtis and Messrs. Harry Hyde and William Zoller.

—The third meeting of the Newton Ministers' Union this year was held Tuesday at the Congregational church, Dr. Shian presiding. There was a good attendance. Two most carefully prepared papers were read. One was by Rev. Mr. Hornbrook, consisting of criticisms on Christian Science, and the other was by the Rev. Mr. Houghton of Beverly on Mrs. Edy's book, "Science and Health." A discussion followed, in which the growth of this new cult was deplored, and the reasons for its present popularity were considered. The union voted to extend good will and best wishes to Newton ministers, who are about leaving for other fields of labor. Beside the discussion of Christian Science the union listened to addresses by missionaries from Japan and Turkey. At the

April meeting the question of "Long Pastors" will be considered.

—Mrs. Charles Johnson of Washington street is ill with the grip.

—Rev. E. A. Bartlett is enjoying a three weeks' trip in New Orleans.

—Mrs. Lewis Binney of Walnut street is reported as ill with the grip.

—Mrs. J. M. Dutton is reported as seriously ill at her home on Turner street.

—Mr. Fred Bryant of Washington terrace is convalescing after a severe illness.

—Mrs. Charles W. Keene of Walnut street is in Kansas City, Mo., for a few weeks.

—Rev. Frank W. Gunsaulus, formerly of this place, has accepted a call to the Central church of Chicago.

—Newton Royal Arch Chapter will hold its regular convocation Feb. 21. The Mark degree will be worked.

—Mr. George Tucker of Bradford, N. H., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Sullivan at their home on Washington terrace.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Leonard and Master Charles Leonard of Forest street, left Thursday on the Raymond excursion.

—Mrs. E. N. Thayer of Clyde street has gone to Washington for a short stay, and on her return will spend a few days in New York City.

—The next meeting of the Tennyson Whist club will be held at the home of Miss Lillian M. Anderson on Austin street next Monday evening at 6 o'clock.

—Turner & Williams have let the Rice house on Central avenue to Maj. J. Houston of New York; the French house corner Washington and Parsons streets, to J. E. Watson, and sold the estate, 102 Hunnewell avenue, for Emma J. Ferris to W. D. Swan of Newtonville.

—A party of four young ladies, with their chaperon, attended the grand opera in Boston, Tuesday evening, and missing the last train, came out on the Commonwealth avenue electric. They asked the conductor to run the car to Newtonville, but he would not, so they had to walk from Commonwealth avenue, and arrived home after 1 o'clock.

WEST NEWTON.

—Mrs. E. R. Metcalf of Lenox street is in New York City.

—Mr. C. S. Tattle left Tuesday for a week's trip to New York.

—Miss Ida Stacy is ill with the grip at her home on Henshaw street.

—Mr. John Hargenson of Washington street is seriously ill with the grip.

—Miss L. H. Cress of Chestnut street returned Wednesday from New York.

—Mrs. Charles Gray is reported as quite ill at her home on Highland avenue.

—Miss Carrie Strong of Cherry street is visiting friends at North Adams, Mass.

—Mrs. H. C. Nickerson of Highland street is visiting relatives in New York.

—A party of the Pierce school scholars enjoyed a sleighride Thursday afternoon.

—The Art Class will meet with Mrs. L. G. Pratt of Highland street Monday afternoon.

—Mrs. Mary Parker, formerly living on Washington street, has removed to Worcester.

—Mrs. F. C. Furbush of Watertown street is able to be out again after her recent illness.

—Mr. E. E. Adams has purchased a lot of land on Otis street and will soon erect a dwelling house.

—Mr. John S. Alley has bought a lot of land on Chestnut street, and will erect a house and stable.

—Last Monday evening, Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell gave a reception at their new home on Putnam street.

—Mr. J. T. Prince has been elected president of the local branch of the Students' Home Association.

—Mr. H. L. Ayer and family of Prince street left town Tuesday for a two month's sojourn in California.

—Mr. George F. Works has the sympathy of his many friends in the death of his brother at Fitchburg, Feb. 3d.

—The class on Current Events meets with Mrs. E. N. L. Walton Chestnut street, next Friday afternoon.

—Mr. Arthur G. Rivers, of Battery B, formerly of this place, is among the New England men stationed in Havana.

—Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Palmer entertained a party of friends at their home on Chestnut street, Wednesday evening.

—The degree team from Newton Lodge, No. 92, I. O. O. F., worked the third degree for Gov. Gore Lodge, Waltham, last Friday evening.

—Mrs. Joseph Cook will speak at the chapel of the Congregational church on Wednesday, Feb. 15, at 3:30 p. m. Topic, "A Woman's Club of World wide Interest."

—The regular meeting of the West Newton Woman's Alliance was held Thursday morning in the parlors of the Unitarian church on Washington street. A paper on "Brahmo Samy, Chunder Sen," was read by Mrs. N. T. Allen.

—Mr. Michael J. Duane, a resident of this place for nearly a quarter of a century, died yesterday morning at his home 307 River street aged 61 years. Death was due to a complication of diseases brought on by stomach trouble from which he has been suffering for about four weeks. Mr. Duane was a native of Ireland, and came to this country when a young lad. Twenty three years ago he removed to West Newton with his father and brother coming here from Waltham. Until four years ago he had conducted a grocery business on River street, but turned over the management of the business to his son that he might give more attention to the care of his real estate. He was the owner of considerable property in Waltham, as in Newton, where he had a large circle of friends. In Newton Mr. Duane figured prominently in politics although never holding any office. He was a member of St. Bernard's Church, C. O. F., Friton Council, R. C. A., and of the Newton Veteran Firemen's association. He is survived by a wife, four sons and two daughters. The funeral services will be held tomorrow morning at St. Bernard's church. A solemn high mass will be celebrated at 9 o'clock.

—At St. Bernard's church Wednesday morning was held the funeral of Nathaniel McCarthy, the mathematician, who was accidentally asphyxiated at a lodging house on Shawmut avenue, Boston, the first of the week. The mass was celebrated by Rev. Fr. L. J. O'Toole, and the interment was at the Waltham cemetery. Mr. McCarthy was the son of a Newton day laborer and was born here 50 years ago. He received a comparatively meager education in the public schools and learned the trade of a cutter. Even in school he displayed a remarkable aptitude for mathematics, and attracted the notice of Edward Capen, librarian of the public library, ex-Mayor F. O. Prince, ex-Mayor Greene and William I. Bowditch, a descendant of Nathaniel Bowditch, the mathematician. Their interest had practical results, for he was finally supplied with a private room at the library, in which to conduct his researches free from annoyance. During his life he amassed immense quantities of manuscript, with the intention of ultimately publishing it. What disposition will be made of these papers and effects is not as yet known. His death by asphyxiation a few days ago was due to a most unfortunate accident, and was a severe shock to the

many who had watched his career with interest.

—Mrs. George Furbush has recovered from her recent illness.

—Miss Harriett Tolman will deliver an address at the next meeting of the Woman's Alliance, Feb. 23.

—Mr. George A. Walton leaves Tuesday for Grand Isle, Vt., where he will give a lecture before the Teachers Institute.

—A sociable will be held in the parlors of the Unitarian church Friday evening. A dramatic entertainment will be presented.

—The next meeting of John Elliot Lodge, A. O. U. W., will be a "ladies' night." There will be a supper followed by an entertainment and dance.

—There will be a special Home Circle Charity Whist Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 15th, at 2:30 at Mrs. Cotting's, Cherry street. Subscription 25 cents.

—The Sewing Circle connected with the Baptist church held their regular meeting last Wednesday. They completed their work for the Alaska Orphanage.

—At the meeting of the Newton Lodge of the American Legion of Honor next Wednesday evening, the initiatory degree will be worked on several candidates.

—In celebration of his birthday, Mr. A. L. Kershaw was given a surprise party by a large number of his friends at his home on Cross street, last Tuesday evening.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. I. Travell of Chestnut street and Mrs. Charles Robinson, have gone to Palm Beach, Florida, where they will spend the remainder of the winter.

—The next meeting of the Tennyson Whist Club will be held Monday evening at 8 o'clock, at the residence of Miss Lillian M. Anderson, Austin street, Newtonville.

—Mr. Edward Dart of the Boston Herald, who resides on Margin street, leaves Sunday for New York, where he has accepted a position as sketch artist for the New York Herald.

—A number of women from the West Newton Women's Educational Club were present at the meeting of the Newton Federation of Women's Clubs at Bray Hall, Newton Centre, last Friday afternoon.

—While John Manning was driving in a puny containing several persons, along Watertown street, early Wednesday morning, his horse became frightened and ran away, colliding with a tree. The occupants of the puny were thrown into the street, but escaped injury. The puny was wrecked.

—Following is a list of the officers of Crescent Commandery, 86, U. O. G. C., installed last Wednesday evening by Deputy Walker and suite, F. E. Healy, P. M. G. F. Rand, N. C.; Miss N. L. G. Fowling; Mrs. S. W. Trowbridge, N. K. of R.; Mr. T. K. Fewkes, treas.; W. E. Leonard, F. K. of R.; Miss N. E. Barlow, prelate; B. F. Barlow, J. W. Miss Alice Barlow, O. W.; H. E. Shepard, herald. Following the installation a collation was served.

—Last Friday evening at about 10 o'clock a car of the Newton Street Railway Company collided with a car of the Wellesley & Boston line, on Washington street, near Kempton place. The vestibules of both cars were badly damaged, and the glass in all the windows was broken. There were no passengers in either of the cars, but conductor Charles W. Tambour of the Wellesley car was thrown to the floor by force of the shock and sustained slight injuries. Assistant superintendent Green, who was acting motorman on the Newton car, said that the collision would have been averted, had the brakes worked properly.

HUNNEWELL CLUB NOTES.

CALENDAR.

Saturday, 11th, Gentlemen's night.

Monday, 13th, Wednesday, 15th, and Friday, 17th, Bowling team tournament.

A preliminary minstrel rehearsal has been called for this evening at 8 sharp.

The first bowling tournament has been finished and the results are as follows: Winning team, T. E. M. Hallett, captain, L. H. Bailey, P. E. Spaulding, H. G. Fowling, and H. Waite, they having won 21 strings, lost 6 strings. The highest single string made by any team was 705 pins, made by team 2, which team also made the highest three string, 219 pins. Team two was made up as follows: F. H. Loveland, captain, E. T. Ryder, J. D. Barrows, A. B. Jewell, H. E. Bothfield. The highest individual single score was made by Mr. E. Bothfield, who scored 231 pins. J. A. Lord scored the highest individual three string, 558 pins. The standing of the teams at the close of the bowling tournament was as follows: Team 1 won 13, lost 15; team 2 won 19, lost 8; team 3 won 13, lost 13; team 4 won 10, lost 17; team 5 won 11, lost 16; team 6 won 18, lost 9; team 7 won 21, lost 6; team 8 won 13, lost 14; team 9 won 8, lost 19; team 10 won 9, lost 18.

In the bottle pool tournament Dr. A. B. Jewell beat Mr. F. F. Bowman, finishing the first round. Two matches have been played in the second round, finishing that series, Mr. L. E. Coffin beating Mr. O. B. Galland, Dr. A. B. Jewell beating Mr. H. B. Coffin, and Mr. L. E. Coffin has also beat Mr. D. B. O. Bourdon in the third round, leaving but one match to be played in that round. It is hoped to finish this tournament by next week.

Entries are coming in fast for the new billiard, pool and bottle pool tournament, shortly to be started. Members are reminded to hand in their entries early as it is desired to start these tournaments within a few days.

Gentlemen's night tomorrow evening with the usual lunch. Several members of the Newton Bowling Club will be present last Saturday evening and entertained the large number present with a delightful program.

A new bowling tournament will be started next Monday and that evening, Wednesday and Friday evenings, will be given up for the next few weeks for the matches. Twelve teams have been made up with the following gentlemen as captains: Team 1, C. A. Haskell; 2, L. H. Bailey; 3, J. A. Lord; 4, P. H. Loveland; 5, C. W. Loring; 6, W. H. Barker; 7, E. M. Hallett; 8, E. T. Ryder; 9, W. H. Foss; 10, H. G. Lapham; 11, P. R. Spaulding; 12, C. H. Buswell.

Teams 1, 2, 3 and 4 will bowl next Monday; teams 5, 6, 7 and 8 on Wednesday evening, and the remaining teams on Friday evening next.

An invitation to meet the bowlers of the Riverdale Casino Club at their club house has been received and next week it is hoped that the evening may be announced.

On last Saturday evening Mr. Chas. Copeland of Boston placed two of his water colors on exhibition. The subject of one is "Through the Birchies," the other "Off Ragged Island, Maine." The difference in subject will win many admirers for each. The white birches stand out in bold relief against the dark green. The strong sunshine on the birches and the surrounding green makes that the strong note in the composition. "Off Ragged Island" would probably please more people. The scheme of color is rich, showing a grey day and the dark blue water. The waves dashing up upon the rocks are well executed, giving that life so essential to a marine sketch.

Mr. Horace S. Crowell is certainly to be congratulated on his success in securing

such creditable pictures, and his work is much appreciated. So much interest has been aroused in the weekly exhibits that several members have offered to loan pictures.

In the pool tournament Mr. R. G. Howard was beaten by Mr. W. F. Bowman. Only a final round is now to be played by Mr. E. R. Estabrooks.

The Neighborhood Club of West Newton sent down their bowling team Wednesday evening, and when they had finished their evening's work the score stood Neighborhood Club won 2 games, Hunnewell Club won 1 game. The visitors won their games by 91 and 90 pins, losing the third match by 6 pins.

AUBURNDALE.

—Three young men who have resided near each other for years have left Auburndale within a few days. Rev. Mr. Dike's son of Fern street has gone to South America, Mr. Hugh Southgate to England and Dr. Edward G. Parker to be assistant surgeon on the U.S.S. Pensacola, at Mare Island, California. Many good wishes attend them all.

—An attractive society event, last Wednesday evening, was a reception given by Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Burr at their home on Hancock street. Over 200 Newton society folk attended. The floral decorations, consisting of palms, potted plants, and cut flowers, were particularly beautiful. Mr. and Mrs. Burr received from 8 to 11 o'clock. The ushers were Messrs. Edward P. Harvey, John Burr and Albert W. Little. Music was furnished by an orchestra of young ladies. A collation was served.

—Hearing on the Concrete Contract.

On the petition of Albert C. and Fred J. Warren of West Newton, an interesting hearing was given Wednesday before the members of the highway committee at city hall. The hearing was the result of a recent decision by the highway committee to award to Simpson Brothers the contract for the city's concreting for 1899.

Last Saturday bids filed by Simpson Bros., A. C. & F. J. Warren, and several other firms, for this year's contract, were received and opened, and the contract was awarded to Simpson Bros. Upon learning of this award, a petition was sent by the Warrens to Mayor Wilson, asking that a hearing be given them before the highway committee.

At the hearing, beside the members of the highway committee, there were present Mayor E. B. Wilson, C. H. Ross, H. D. Woods, A. C. and F. J. Warren and G. Fred Simpson, of Simpson Bros.

Mr. F. J. Warren spoke for the petitioners, claiming that the contract should have been awarded his firm, on the ground that their bids were much lower than that of the Simpson Bros.

He also made claims that there had been irregularities in the awarding of the contract, and among other things that city officials had been unfriendly, and that Alderman Lyman had not been notified of the meeting at which the bids were opened.

In reply to his question, why the bid of his firm had been rejected, Chairman White said he had not considered the firm as bidders. They had done no work near Newton than Colorado, and it was too long a distance away for Newton to treat. He did not know at the time that Mr. Warren was a resident of Newton.

Mr. Warren charged that after the formal opening of the bids, the Simpson Bros. were allowed to change the figures, and that Mr. Ross had refused to give him information as to the time the committee was to meet, to consider the matter.

Mr. Warren was the only speaker, and at the conclusion of the hearing, Alderman Lyman moved that the contract be awarded to the Warren firm. Alderman Lyman seconded the motion but it failed to pass.

It might be said that Mr. Simpson states that the only change he made in his bid was in response to a telephone request from Mayor Wilson, who asked him to make a small change in the figure for one item of work, and that he replied that it was all that stood in the way he would do so, and Mayor Wilson told him his firm should have the contract.

Mr. Warren claims that by accepting his bid he would save some \$4,000 on the basis of last year's work, which was unusually large in amount, but the city engineer figures it that the city would save only \$800.

Mayor Wilson is said to be very unhappy over the matter, as he has apparently promised both parties, and it is rumored in the Boston papers that he is now disposed to favor having the city do the work, under Mr. Warren's supervision.

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By W. L. ALDEN.

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"Do you mean to tell me," I asked the station master, "that you really believe that a train has a ghost and that ghostly trains run over actual railways at night?"

"If you were a railroad man," replied my friend, "you'd see the foolishness of asking such a question. Do I believe in ghost trains? You might as well ask me if I believe in Pullman cars. Why, man, every railroad man knows that ghost trains are liable to be met with almost any night. I don't say that they are common, but I do say that there are lots of men who have seen 'em and have just as much reason believing in 'em as they have for believing in any regular train."

"Have you yourself ever seen a ghost train?" I asked.

The station master chewed his cigar for a moment in silence and then said: "Seeing as it's you that asks me, I'll tell you something that I haven't told any man for more than ten years unless he happened to be an experienced railroad man. You see, I got tired of hearing people doubt my word and insinuate that I was a lunatic or had been drinking too much whisky. You'll perhaps think the same, but what I'm going to tell you is a cold fact, and there ain't a bit of lying or poetry or political arguing or any of those sort of imaginative things about it."

"You know the road from here to Tiberius Center? It's pretty near a straight line, but when I first came into these parts the trains used to run from here to Tiberius Center by a mighty roundabout way. The line as it was originally laid out ran in a sort of semi-circle, taking in half a dozen small towns lying northwest of this place. After awhile the company surveyed the new line and bored the big tunnel through the Blue Eagle mountain. The old line wasn't entirely abandoned until about two years ago, but after the tunnel was finished there was only one passenger train each way daily on the old line and a freight train three times a week."

"I had a brother who lived up at Manlius, a town on the old line, about 70 miles from here—that is to say, Manlius was his postoffice address, but he lived in a house that was three miles from the station, and there wasn't any town of Manlius except the station house and a little shanty that was used as a postoffice. I was a kind of a general assistant at this here station where we are now, and there not being very much work on hand, I got two days' leave and took the train up to see my brother. It was just about a year after the new line had been opened, and as the company meant to abandon the old line, they hadn't put any repairs on it worth speaking of, and it was about the roughest road you ever traveled over."

"I was a little scared myself, though, as a rule, I never trouble myself about railroad accidents, knowing that they're bound to come and you can't help yourself. There had been a terrible bad accident on that very road just before the expresses quit running over it. A train with a Pullman car full of passengers went off the track just as she had struck the bridge over the Muskahoot river, and as the bridge was over 20 feet deep nobody ever saw hide or hair of that train or of anybody connected with it from that day to this."

"Well, I got up to my brother's along about 8 or maybe half past 8 o'clock in the evening, and found him gone away



"I swung myself up on the rear platform" and the house locked up. I hammered on the doors and tried the windows till I had settled that there wasn't any one at home and that I couldn't break in, and then I meandered back to the station, calculating to pass the night in the wood shed and take the train back to Jericho the next day. It had been snowing hard, and there was near a foot of snow on a level, let alone the big drifts that were here and there. I was pretty well fagged out when I got to the station, which, of course, was shut up for the night, and if it hadn't been that I had a quart flask of whisky in my pocket I should have come near freezing to death."

"I went into the wood shed and got round behind the wood, where the wind couldn't reach me, and after cursing my brother for a spell on account of his having gone off and shut up his house I made my preparations for taking a nap. Just then I heard the rumble of a train. This naturally astonished me, knowing as I did exactly what trains were running on that road and that there wasn't any sort of train due at that station for the next 15 hours. However, the train kept coming nearer and nearer, and pretty soon I heard the grinding of the brakes and understood that the train was coming to a stop. I didn't lose any time in getting out of that wood shed and going for that train. I could see it standing close to the water butt, about 50 yards down the road, and knew, of course, that the engineer was taking in water. When I reached her, I saw that the train consisted only

of a baggage car and a Pullman sleeper. I swung myself up on the rear platform of the sleeper and pushed the door open with a good deal of trouble, for the woodwork seemed to have swelled, and there wasn't anybody to help me from the inside of the car."

"When I got inside, I looked around for the passengers, but there wasn't a single one. Neither was there any sign of the nigger porter, who ought to have been there to ask me for my ticket and to pretend that I was making him a lot of trouble by asking for a bed. You know the ways of nigger porters, and how they always make you feel that if you don't give them a pretty big tip you are a good deal worse than a slave driver. The car was lit up after a fashion by a single oil lamp, and all the berths looked as if the passengers had just jumped out of them and the porter hadn't been round to make up the beds. I couldn't think what had become of the passengers, seeing as they couldn't have gone into the baggage car and it didn't seem probable that a whole carful could have distributed themselves at way stations. However, that wasn't any affair of mine."

"I opened both doors of the car to let a little air blow through, for it was very musty, and then I picked out a good berth and calculated to turn in for the night. I soon found that those berths weren't fit for any Christian to sleep in, for the bedclothes were as damp as if they had been left out in a rainstorm. Where the water had come from that had soaked them I couldn't imagine, for it hadn't rained any for a week, and it stood to reason that the snow couldn't have drifted into the car, shut up as tight as it was. Then it puzzled me to imagine why the porter hadn't taken the wet clothes away and what had become of the nigger anyhow. The whole business was enough to throw a man off his balance, and I gave up thinking about it, and, going into the washroom, I sat down in the wash basin, which was the only dry seat in the car, and, leaning up against the corner, tried to get a nap."

"By this time the train had left the station several miles behind and was running at the rate that I knew would have been risky on any road, let alone as rough a road as the one we were on. At first I didn't mind this, the running of the train not being my business, but pretty soon I found that I could not keep in my seat without holding on with both hands. I've been in cars that have done some pretty tall running and over some mighty rough roads, but I never before or since knew a car to jump and roll and shake herself generally as that car did. I began to think that the engineer was either drunk or crazy and that the passengers had got so scared that they had all left the train. To tell the truth I would have been glad to have left the train myself, but I never was fond of jumping, and if there is any man who says that he likes to jump from a train that is doing 40 or 50 miles an hour, why, I just don't believe him."

"All of a sudden I thought of the bellcord, and I decided that I would pull it and stop the train. Then if any conductor appeared I would tell him who I was and inform him that if he didn't make his engineer run the train in a decent way I would take good care that the division superintendent should know all about the thing. So I got hold of the bellcord and gave it a fairish sort of pull—not the very hardest sort of a pull, you understand, but just a moderate pull. The cord broke in my hand as easy as if it had been a piece of thread, and all chance of stopping the train was lost. I looked at the bellcord and saw that it was as rotten as a politician's conscience, so I just broke off a piece of it about two or three yards long and put it in my pocket, intending to show it to the division superintendent as a specimen of the way in which Pullman car conductors attended to their business."

"All the time the train was rushing ahead at a speed that would have been counted worth noticing even on the New York Central. When she struck a curve—and there were lots of them—she just left the track entirely and swung round that curve with her wheels in the air, and when she did strike the track again you can bet that things shook. Of course I don't mean that the train actually did leave the track, but that was the way it would have seemed to you if you had been aboard that car. I went to the forward door to see if there was any chance of getting into or over the baggage car and so reaching the engineer, but it would have taken a monkey in first rate training to have climbed over that baggage car without breaking his neck at the rate at which we were running. I went back into the sleeper again and, holding on to a berth, tried to light up a cigar, but somehow the match didn't seem to take much interest in the thing. I felt confident that in a few minutes more the car would leave the track and go to everlasting smash, and I remember feeling thankful that I had gone over my accounts just before leaving Jericho and that nobody could fail to understand them. Just then I thought of the brake. If I should go out on the platform and put the brake on, the engineer would feel the drag on the car and would stop the train unless he was stark mad. At any rate the thing was worth trying."

"I got out on the platform, hanging on for all I was worth to the hand rail, until I got hold of the brake wheel. It was as rusty as if it had been soaking in water for a week, but I didn't mind that. I jammed that brake down good and hard, but the brake chain snapped almost as easy as the bellcord, and there was an end of that plan for stopping the train. Of course I knew that a brake chain sometimes snaps and you can't prevent it, but it was curious that both the bellcord and the brake chain on that car should have been good for nothing."

"Well, I got back into the car again, and I took a middling good drink of the whisky, and it sort of warmed up my courage. I never was a drinking man

even in my young days, for I despise a drunkard, especially if he is a railroad man. But I hadn't had above six or seven drinks that day, and I knew that another moderate one wouldn't do me any harm. I was beginning to feel a little better, when I remembered that I had never heard the whistle of the locomotive since we had started from Manlius station. That showed me that the engineer wasn't either drunk or mad, for in either case he would have blown his whistle about two-thirds of the time, there being nothing that a crazy man or a drunken engineer finds as soothing as a steam whistle. I couldn't explain our flying around curves and over level crossings without sounding the whistle except on the theory that the engineer had dropped dead in his cab. But then there would have been the fireman. Both of the men couldn't very well have died at the same minute, and if there was anything the matter with the engineer the fireman would naturally either have stopped the train and tried to get help or he would have run it very cautiously, that not being his usual business. Not hearing the whistle was, on the whole, more astonishing to me than finding a Pullman car without a passenger or without a colored porter and with the bedclothes soaked with water and the bellcord almost too rotten to bear its own weight."

"There wasn't a thing to be seen through the car windows, for they were thick with dirt. So, wanting to get some idea of the locality that we had got to, I went out on the rear platform again, and getting down on the lower step I leaned out to have a look all around. Just then we started around another curve, and what with my fingers being a little numb and what with the swaying of the car I lost my hold and was shot off that train like a mail bag that is chucked on to our platform when the Pacific express goes booming by."

"Luckily I fell into a snowbank and wasn't seriously hurt. However, the shock stunned me for awhile, and when I came to and found that I had no bones broken and that my skull was all right I picked myself up and started to walk down the track till I should come to a house. After walking, as I should judge, about half a mile, I came to East Fabiusville, where there is a little tavern, and mighty glad I was to see it. I knocked the landlord up and got a bed, and it was noon the next day before I woke up."

"There wasn't any train to Jericho until after 3 o'clock, so not having anything to do I looked up the landlord and found he was an old acquaintance of mine, named Hank Simmons. When I told him that I had come to Fabiusville by a night train, he sort of smiled, and I could see he didn't believe me. 'I don't say that the train stopped here,' I said, 'for the last I saw of it was a mile or so up the road, where I fell off the rear platform into a snowbank. But, all the same, I did come most of the way from Manlius last night in a Pullman sleeper.'"

"Then you must have come on what the boys call the ghost train," says Hank.

"What train's that?" says I.

"Why, it's the ghost of the train that went off the bridge on the Muskahoot river. The boys do say that every once in awhile there is a train made up of a locomotive, a baggage car and a Pullman sleeper that comes down the road hustling and goes off the Muskahoot bridge into the river. I never saw no such train myself, but there's lots of folks living along this road that have seen it, and you'd have hard work to convince 'em that it isn't the ghost of the wrecked train. Come to think of it, that there train was wrecked just a year ago last night, and it's probable that her ghost was out for an airing, as you might say."

"Well, when I came to think the thing over I came to the conclusion that Hank was right and that the Pullman with the wet bedclothes and the rotten bellcord was nothing more or less than the ghost of a car. However, I didn't say much more to Hank about it at the time, for the less a man talks about seeing ghosts the better it is for him if he wants to be considered a reliable man. But as soon as I got back to Jericho I went to see the division superintendent and told him the whole story."

"See here," he said when I had got through, "I suppose I ought to report you, but considering that you were not on duty last night and that you're not a drinking man as a general thing I shan't say anything about it. But if you'll take my advice you'll not tell that ridiculous story to anybody else."

"Then you think I was drunk and dreamed the whole thing, do you?" I asked.

"I don't think so," says he; "I'm sure of it. I've just been over the division reports, and no such train as you describe has been seen at any station. Besides, I know where every Pullman car in the company's service is just at this identical time, and it's impossible that a Pullman should have been on the Manlius branch last night. No train of any kind went over that branch between 8 o'clock last night and 7 o'clock this morning."

"Then I wish you'd explain how I traveled from Manlius station to East Fabiusville last night between 9 and 12. I can prove by the conductor of the up train that he let me off at Manlius after 8 o'clock last night, and I can prove by the landlord of the Fabiusville tavern that I put up at his house just before 12 o'clock. A man, whether he is drunk or sober, can't travel 70 miles in three hours unless he does it on a railroad train."

"The superintendent was a mighty smart man, but this conundrum of mine was more than he could answer. So he only smiled in an aggravating sort of way and said: 'You'd better take my advice and keep quiet. You know how the directors are on any man that drinks too much whisky. If you go about talking of this adventure of yours,

the chances are you'll lose your place.' Just then I happened to think of the piece of bellcord that I had taken from the car. I put my hand in my pocket, and there it was, sure enough. I held it up and said to the superintendent: 'There's a piece of the rotten bellcord that I told you about. Perhaps you'll say I dreamed six feet of cord into my pocket.'"

"The superintendent took it, and I could see that he was considerably staggered. 'You say you got this out of the Pullman sleeper that you dreamed about?' he asked."

"That's just exactly and precisely the identical place where I got that cord aforesaid," says I, as solemn as if I was on my oath."

"Well," says he, 'I take back what I said about you're having been drunk. That there cord hasn't been in use in any car on this road for more than a year. The last car that had a cord like that was the one that went into the Muskahoot river. That's a cotton cord, and we don't use anything but hemp nowadays.'"

"Then you think that I was on a ghost train after all," says I.

"Think," says he, 'that the less you say about it the better—that is, if you



"I knocked the landlord up and got a bed."

care to follow my advice. If you keep on talking about it, you'll have half the trainmen on the division watching for ghosts and neglecting their regular duties."

"Of course I promised to do as the superintendent said, and I never mentioned the ghost train until this particular superintendent had skipped to Canada with over \$100,000. He was a most amazing smart man, and if I had gone against his wishes I wouldn't have staid in the company's service very long. However, when I did begin to tell the story nobody believed me, except now and then an old train hand who had seen ghost trains himself and knew all about 'em. I've told you the story as straight as a die, and you can take it or leave it just as you choose. As Horace says, 'There's more things in heaven and the other place than any philosopher ever dared to dream about.'"

THE END.

He Had Flung Up.

The superior court was in session, and the little mountain town was crowded with people. Along the middle of the day when the judge was worried with a tedious trial, Bill Williams of the Lick Creek settlement began galloping up and down the street on his little red mule, firing off his pistol, whooping like a Sioux and otherwise dispensing the energy which a liberal supply of corn liquor had inspired."

"Mr. Bailiff," commanded the judge sternly, "go out and arrest that man and bring him into court."

The bailiff went timidly out of the courtroom, and the judge attempted to proceed with business, but the Williams racket outside did not cease. It grew worse, and the judge looked over the room for some one to send out and observed the bailiff sitting complacently on one of the back seats."

"Look here, Mr. Bailiff! Why did you not arrest that disorderly man? Are you not an officer of the court?"

"Y-yes," replied the bailiff, quaking with fear, "I wuz, but I've done flung up."—Atlanta Journal.

Hot Water Lakes.

There has been for many years more or less speculation as to the cause of hot water lakes. The most plausible theory is that by some subterranean channel or passage they connect with volcanic heat and fill with hot water, on the principle of the range boiler. This may be the cause of the gulf stream. Somewhere far below the surface of the water there is an inlet, where a tremendous volume of water sweeps close into the home of the great subterranean fires. A portion of the water is changed to steam. Some of it may be thrown out by the eruption of the volcano, but an immense current sweeps up to the surface of the earth again and pours upon the coast a perpetual stream of warm water. It would be an engaging study to follow the course of the gulf stream and discover if possible from what depth it proceeds and by what fire the heat is kept up. There are few more interesting phenomena than the gulf stream. Scientists have speculated and geographers have wondered at it ever since its existence was discovered.—New York Ledger.

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"Yes, sir."

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AUBURNDALE.

- Mrs. W. H. Cook is ill at her home on Auburn street.
- James Ewart, Jr., of Lawrence, Mass., is a guest of Mr. W. P. Thorn.
- Miss Eva Moore has been ill at her home on Commonwealth avenue.
- Mr. Cyrus Allen has returned from a visit in White River Junction, Vt.
- Miss Nellie Haney has been ill at her home on Madison street.
- Mrs. Vinal of Belmont is visiting her aunt, Mrs. C. Tuckwell of Winona street.
- Asst. Baggage-Master John Foley of the depot, is on duty again after a week's illness.
- Master Starbuck Sprague is suffering from an attack of tonsillitis at his home on Central street.
- Mrs. L. H. Lane has removed from Ware road to the house corner of Bourne and Auburn streets.
- Mr. Charles Robinson of the Commonwealth avenue street railway, leaves next week for California.
- Mr. George Keyes, who has been visiting in Quincy, N. H., has returned to his home on Camden road.
- Messrs. Joseph and Edward McVicker came home from Holy Cross College this week, for a brief visit.
- Mr. Gordon Weatherbee is ill this week at his home on Commonwealth avenue, suffering from an attack of grip.
- An enjoyable meeting of Riverdale Lodge, N. E. O. P., was held Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Samuel Furness on Auburn street.
- In honor of his birthday anniversary last Monday, Letter-Carrier Wm. Lomax was the recipient of valuable presents from those on his mail route.
- An apron and necktie party was given last Friday evening, in McVicker's hall on Auburn street, under the auspices of the Norumbega Club. A large number of members and their ladies were present, and the affair proved very successful.
- Sergt. Henry Robinson, late of Co. K, 1st Corps of Vol. Engineers, has received an honorable discharge. He left Wednesday for Porto Rico, where he will engage in business. By profession he is a civil engineer.
- Dr. Edward G. Parker of Hancock street has received his appointment from Secretary of War Long, as assistant surgeon in the navy. He has left for Mare Island Navy Yard, San Francisco, where he will be assigned to duty.
- A lineman working on Lexington street about 10 o'clock Tuesday morning, was struck in the head by an iron hook accidentally dropped by a companion on the pole above, sustaining a severe scalp wound. He was taken to Thor's drug store, and later attended by a physician.
- A horse attached to a delivery sleigh and owned by F. H. Clapp, the grocer, was overturned at the corner of Auburn street and the boulevard, about 5 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. The occupants of the sleigh, several boys, were thrown out but

escaped injury. The vehicle was considerably damaged.

—Mr. George Nicholson has been granted a pension of \$6 a month.

—Services at the Church of the Messiah Sunday: Morning service and sermon at 10.30. Evening service at 7.30. Bishop Lawrence will preach and administer the rite of confirmation.

—Next Sunday at 10.30 a. m., Miss M. E. Lunn, Supt. of the Methodist Deaconess' Home and Hospital in Boston, will speak at the Methodist church. At 7.30 p. m., Rev. Mr. Worth will speak on "The Use of Reason in Religion." At this service, special music will be rendered by the male quartet and others. The public cordially invited.

—The annual meeting of the Auburndale Fraternal Benefit Association for an election of officers was held Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. The society begins its eighth year in a fine financial condition. It has paid out \$2000 in death benefits, and has \$2000 in reserve fund. These officers were chosen: Geo. H. Bourne, pres.; Jas. H. Dolliver, sec'y; C. A. Miner, treas.; W. F. Hadlock, P. A. McVicker, F. E. Elwell, and G. E. Mann, directors.

—Arthur P. Palmer was brought up from the Cambridge house of correction last Friday afternoon to answer to the charges of larceny from a building, and obtaining money under false pretences. When the case was called Saturday, the government witnesses were unable to be present, and the case was continued until Monday. On that day, he was charged with obtaining money under false pretences from Rev. John A. Matteson, and the larceny of a watch from Mrs. Ellen Blodgett, both of this place. He admitted his guilt, and was fined \$25, and sentenced to three months in the house of correction.

NONANTUM.

- Mr. Alfred Jewett has recovered from a severe attack of the grip.
- Mr. T. P. Jewett of Bridge street is reported as quite ill with pneumonia.
- Mr. Fred Pollock, formerly of this place, was in town a few days this week.
- Mr. Simon Ackman and family have removed from West to Watertown street.
- Dr. Stearns has so far recovered as to be able to sit up for a short time each day.
- An election of officers will take place at the next meeting of Charity Lodge, I. O. G. T.
- Mrs. Mary Nickerson of California has recovered from her recent severe illness.
- Miss Della Caveny left on the S. S. New England last Thursday to visit her parents in Ireland.
- Mr. Geo. Smith of Newton Centre gave an interesting talk at the Beulah Mission last Sunday afternoon.
- The Helping Hand Society met with Mrs. Sarah Cuthbert on California street, Wednesday evening.
- Mr. Joseph Hessian has rented the house, number 15 Capitol street, through the Forknall agency.
- Mr. Charles Murphy of Dalby street has taken a position as sexton of the Church of Our Lady.
- Mr. James Butler of California street has gone to Jamestown, N. Y., where he has accepted a position.
- Mr. William E. Lowry led the Y. P. S. C. E. meeting at the North Evangelical church, last Sunday evening.
- Mr. Royal Evans of Bridge street, who has been ill with tonsillitis, is improving, but is still confined to the house.
- Arrangements are being made for the celebration of the anniversary of the Beulah Baptist Church next month.
- The Ladies' Aid Society of the North Evangelical church met last Wednesday evening with Mrs. Theophilus Frye of Bridge street.
- Mr. Henry O'Leary of Clinton street is reported as very ill. On Tuesday morning he was removed to the Consumptives' Home in Dorchester.
- Deputy Forknall and suite of Charity Lodge, I. O. G. T., installed the recently elected officers of Demorest Lodge, at Newton Lower Falls, last Tuesday evening.
- The Rev. J. S. Breaker of Waltham will preach next Sunday afternoon at the Beulah Baptist Mission on Bridge street. A revival meeting will be held on each evening of the week following.
- The Christian Endeavor Society of the North church held their regular monthly service, Tuesday evening, in the church parlors. An entertainment in the form of a candy pull was greatly enjoyed.

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The Discredited Commission.

(From the Watchman.)

The findings of the commission to investigate the conduct of the war will carry very little weight with the country. When Eagan was permitted to utter his vile tirade before the commission against his superior officer the commission itself was disgraced, but apparently there was not a single member of the entire body that had sufficient sense of propriety to call Eagan to order, and insist that he keep his low abuse for some other place. This week the proceedings of the commission afford the salient instances of its peculiar animus. The examination of Gen. Alger was a pitiful farce. The very men who can badger a witness whose testimony appears to reflect upon the war department until he would be justified in appealing to the protection of the president could not think of any but the most juvenile inquiries to address to Alger. Their simplicity was painful. But when Dr. Day came before the commission, Col. Denby had the impertinence to say to him, "You are on trial now, doctor; on trial before the country." Dr. Day properly resented that. There was not a word of truth in what Col. Denby said. A commission that regards witnesses who testify against its prejudices as "on trial" is hopelessly discredited. Its findings are worse than worthless. They injure those whom they exculpate.

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NEWTON UPPER FALLS.

- Mr. A. R. Pitts is about to occupy his new house on Rockland place.
- Miss Lizzie Ilsey of Olneyville, Rhode Island, is here this week visiting relatives.
- There are letters in the postoffice for Daniel Garry, G. F. Harres and Patrick Riley.
- Mr. James Sheehan of Jersey City, N. J., is a guest of relatives on Chestnut street.
- Private Charles Daley has been mustered out of the ranks of the U. S. Artillery.
- Mr. Frank Ferguson of Summer street has returned from a week's visit with friends out of town.
- Sergt. Daniel Chamberlain has received an honorable discharge from the 69th regiment of New Jersey.
- Mr. Daniel Hurley, who has been quite ill at his home on High street, is reported as slightly improved.
- The monthly meeting of the Quinobquin Association was held Tuesday evening in the hall on High street. A large number of members were present.
- Mr. David Ilsey is at the Emergency Hospital, Boston, where he recently underwent a successful operation. It will be at least six weeks before he is able to be out.
- For greater convenience to my patrons, I desire to announce that all calls for my services may be left with Mr. John W. Howe, High street, who will forward them to me with the greatest possible dispatch. Respectfully, HENRY F. CATE. 1611
- There is a movement among several prominent citizens to form a cooperative store in this place, and it is expected that within a month one will be in full operation. The plan is of English origin and is known as the Rochdale plan. Shares are sold at \$1 each, a store rented and stocked, and goods sold to the consumers. The point which benefits the poor man who pays his bills is this: should he own one share, and purchase \$50 worth of goods, in six months he will receive the profit on \$50 worth of shares, and purchase but \$1 worth, in six months he receives only the profit of \$1 worth of sales. The store will contain staple groceries, and prices will be as low as possible. Such a scheme is said to be worked in England by wholesalers who do a business of fifty million a year. A store similar to the one intended to establish here is now conducted with much success in Cambridge.

NEWTON LOWER FALLS.

- The electric on the Natick line were stalled after their first trip Wednesday on account of the drifting storm, and did not get to running on time until afternoon.
- The M. E. society of this place passed a resolution inviting Rev. Mr. Mansfield to the latter's home in Newton, Monday evening. The party was conveyed in three puns.
- The annual midwinter picnic to be held under the auspices of "The Gleaners" of St. Mary's church, Friday evening, promises to be a unique and entertaining affair. The decorations will be elaborate, and together with the summer costumes worn will make the attendants forget the cold and dismal winter in the atmosphere of summer.
- Unclaimed letters at the post office for Miss Jessie Bates, Mr. Butler, H. W. Cotting, Miss M. A. Carlan, Annie Devoer, Mrs. M. Evans, R. J. Giosso, F. T. Gallagher, Mrs. Elizabeth Howe, Miss M. S. Hobbs, Mrs. Higgins, Otis N. Howland, Michael Joyce, Mr. G. C. J. Box 18, Preston M. Joyce, Box 144 (2), Mrs. J. V. Lean, Mrs. J. W. Melnyre, Miss Leontine McCarthy, Miss Elsie McNeil, Miss K. T. McDonald, Wm. McPhail, Miss Cora S. Reed, Mrs. Effie Richmond, Miss Emma Williams, Mrs. Henry Williams.

A Rich New Englander Builds a City in the Woods.

Much has been said about Vanderbilt's great place down South, but it is left for a New Englander to go Vanderbilt "several better." Mr. James W. Tufts of Boston, Mass., the well known soda water apparatus manufacturer, went down to see what attracted so many Yankees to the Southern Pines, N. C. region. He saw there a town of fine hotels, handsome homes, beautiful farms and profitable vineyards, and inside of ten days after his arrival he had purchased six thousand acres of land near the town. He saw the best landscape engineers, laid the grounds out and then commenced a great work. Hundreds of carpenters and laborers were employed, building roads, parks, electric car lines, lakes, hotels, houses, deer parks, and in fact everything that money could build. This work has been kept up, until today this man has one of the most unique and handsome places in the world; with its opera houses, restaurants, and everything to amuse and interest.

The best part of this work, is that this big hearted man is not doing this solely for his own pleasure, but he is entertaining at about actual cost, hundreds of doctors, lawyers, ministers and teachers, who could not afford to pay high rates for rent of cottages and hotel charges. Mr. Tufts is in no way working this enterprise to make money; he sells no lands or lots. His great pleasure is to draw around him hundreds of Northern people from his native section during the winter months, and see them enjoy themselves and gain health at the same time.

Mr. Tufts' place is easily reached from Boston via the Mount Airy and Maine steamship line to Norfolk, Va., and thence via the Seaboard Air Line to Southern Pines.

What a happy world this would be, if there were more men like Mr. Tufts, who is constantly planning how he can aid pleasure to some one else's life, besides himself and family. Pullman built his city for his own financial benefit; Vanderbilt bought his thousands of acres of Southern lands and built his place for his own pleasure; but Mr. Tufts built his Southern city with its handsome hotels, comfortable boarding houses, and acres of cottages for the pleasure of the people.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions were passed at a recent meeting of the vestry of Grace church:

Whereas, since the last meeting of this Vestry one of our number, J. Edward Hollis, has, after a long illness, been called out of this life into the life eternal.

Resolved, be it resolved, that we hereby express our high appreciation of his personal character as a man and of the interest he showed in the welfare of the parish of Grace church.

For a long period of years, while his health permitted, he was a regular attendant at the public services, and after his election to membership in this vestry he most cheerfully did what he could to add to the prosperity of Grace church.

We recall the fact that he sometimes met with us at our business meetings when he was enfeebled by illness and suffering.

Resolved further that we express to the family of our departed brother, our most sincere sympathy for them in the affliction which his death has occasioned, commendation to the mercies of the ever loving Lord, who will be gracious unto them.

Resolved that the clerk be requested to spread these Resolutions upon the minutes and to forward a copy to the family of Mr. Hollis.

NEWTON EDUCATION ASSOCIATION.

A MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION WAS HELD MONDAY EVENING IN THE HALL OF THE HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING, NEWTONVILLE.

Prof. Wm. G. Ward spoke upon the "Training of the Future Citizen." He began by illustrating Mr. George's scheme for providing for boys with no occupation in New York city. He contrived to bring together upon his farm with all the prerogatives of citizenship. The boys made a little democracy, all uniting in making a government for themselves. 1st, the boys build a prison for restraint for infraction of laws. Boys made their own laws with the power that Mr. George could veto, but he never used this power.

2d illustration. The provision for the training of a million, more or less, of Russian Refugees, watching the operation of Aumetny's School for Training to good citizenship. The education that stops short of moral excellence. We have educated the Negro at the South intellectually, but we have left out the moral, social, esthetic, and spiritual culture, not only of the Negro but the whole people. The problem of how these elements are to be incorporated into our entire system of education, is not yet solved. It is to the public schools we are to look. Shall the Bible be brought in as the basis of this instruction? The people are considering this purpose. They will solve it.

3d illustration. A school of 3000; a meeting of teachers was held and was decided to ask the pupils unexpectedly, "What do you go to school for?" Fifty per cent. answered to learn to make money; Twenty-five per cent. answered because it was a pleasant thing to do; Twenty per cent. liked to go.

Not a child said he went to school for the purpose of becoming more capable of serving others. This is the end of all schools, as of all homes and churches. Things have changed from the time of our fathers. They were in the surrounding of nature.

The teachers are anxious to do this very thing. You want to address yourself to the soul. It is worse than the failure to train the intellect alone; we have only very partially trained even the intellect, while the whole of the feelings or sensibilities, life, begins in feelings.

The faculties of observation and comparison have been largely neglected in all the schools, and so in the college the student cannot see what exists about them, and why? For the reason that we had no kindergarten. Worse than this neglect the imagination and memory, wanting this training, no judgment, and now, what we have to do is to tax the heart and head to excite every child to fit himself to do what he can to help every one at hand.

No one can give answer to this question. Art is one of the fundamental, great pictures, great sculptures, the Madonna, the mother, and this may be doubt, but the Greek, the good and the true. The ideal in the great pictures, the Pyramid, the Matterhorn, the Vatican. What ideas the artist puts in his productions.

Art is one of the highways to the esthetic nature of the child, beauty of form, of line. So much for painting, for building, but the landscape is God's exhibition of the most wonderful art.

Nature must be made familiar by traveling as in gaining from actual contact. All physical training has its moral side and relation. So has manual training its moral side. Moral training is in all faithful work of every kind. When we have the same moral training for the boys and girls, we will have good citizenship.

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High School Notes.

The snow Saturday prevented the polo team from playing a match with Manual Training School team, making a postponement necessary. If it wins this game it will finish second in the league.

Messrs. Seaver and Ferris will give a masquerade ball to the members of the P. B. '99, at the Newton Highlands clubhouse this evening. No need of saying, "O, be joyful." Everybody knows it's unnecessary.

There is an editorial in this month's "Review" upon the advisability of forming an alumni association. The need of such an organization is keenly felt to bind the grads to the school interests. We hope this month's well directed editorial will accomplish its mission.

The class reception will be held in Temple hall this year. Date to be announced later.

A meeting of the Lyceum will be held next Tuesday evening in room 12. All are invited to be present.

The drill hall is open every afternoon but Wednesday. Come out and train or at least show your class spirit. Every fellow who is not satisfied by the new athletic regulations should avail himself of the opportunity of taking this exercise.

Leonard, '99, has tied the high jump record of 5 foot 3 inch. With more practice it looks as if he would break the record.

A lecture for the benefit of the High School library fund is being planned, to be held some time about the first of March. The lecturer has not been definitely announced, but it is hoped that Senator Hoar will be able to speak upon some current topic. Those who have had an opportunity of hearing the lectures under the direction of Mr. A. J. Geary may be sure that this lecture will not prove inferior to those given in past years. Every citizen should count it a privilege to hear this great anti-imperialist.

A hockey team has been organized.

Mr. Andrew J. George of the English department, has just published his latest work, "From Chaucer to Arnold." This is a most valuable book for school and student work, since it gives a brief outline of each man's work, and enables the scholar to get an introduction to these men of letters, and then to become personally acquainted. Mr. George's books are well known, since in his work he has become intimately acquainted with school life, and his books appeal to the natural student body, because they are made up of the best selections, and his notes are real and show that Mr. George has studied the men he writes about.

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NEWTON CENTRE.

—Mr. James Butler of Langley road is ill at his home.

—Mr. E. L. Rowan of Oxford road is reported quite ill.

—Mrs. Chapin of Beacon street is south for a few weeks.

—Mrs. F. E. Sweet of Dedham street is in New York on a visit.

—Timothy Quill was removed to the Newton Hospital this week.

—Miss S. A. Holmes of Langley road is visiting friends in Utica, N. Y.

—Charles Rich, a student at West Point Military Academy, is here on a visit.

—Miss S. A. Holmes of Langley road is visiting friends at Utica, New York.

—Mr. J. J. Hafermehl is ill at his home on Langley road, suffering from an attack of pneumonia.

—Mr. Henry Haynie has resigned as president of the Playgoers Club, on account of ill health.

—At the meeting at the Methodist church tomorrow evening the topic will be "The Joy in Finding the Lost."

—Mr. John E. Scully and family, formerly of Newtonville, have moved into a house on Oxford road this week.

—Mr. Nelson M. Brooks of Ward street is suffering with a broken ankle, the result of a fall on the ice last Saturday.

—The pulpit of the Unitarian church will be occupied next Sunday morning by Rev. V. J. Emery of Cambridge.

—A sewing meeting of the mission band of the Methodist church will be held Saturday afternoon at Miss Butler's home.

—The eleventh annual concert and ball of the Home Lodge 102, F. O. O. F. of Newton Centre, will be held this evening in Bray hall.

—Mr. Thomas Green of Langley road has entered the ranks of the 6th regiment, heavy artillery, and left for Fortress Monroe.

—Members of the Degree Whist club were entertained Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. A. R. Gardner on Crescent street.

—The Misses Stuart and Mrs. Cutler of Knowles street have left for South Carolina, where they will spend the remainder of the winter.

—The Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist church will meet this afternoon with Mrs. Jackson Flanders, at her residence on Institution avenue.

—Patrolman Groth found a hat, coat and vest on Commonwealth avenue, Monday evening, and took them to station 4, where they await an owner.

—Mr. Wordell, superintendent of the Parker Memorial, will give a talk at the Hale Union meeting next Sunday evening at the Unitarian church.

—Rev. E. Y. Mullins will preach at the First Baptist church next Sunday evening. His subject will be "Making the Most of Life in our Choice of Calling."

—In the parlors of the Baptist church, Wednesday evening, the regular monthly sociable was held, and well attended, considering the condition of the weather.

—Frank Reagan of Thompsonville, while at work in the ice houses at Hammond's Pond, Chestnut Hill, last Saturday, had two toes crushed under a falling piece of ice.

—Mrs. Loring Brooks gave a musicale at her home on Sumner street, Monday afternoon, which was attended by a large number of representative ladies of the Newtons.

—A meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist church was held at the residence of Mrs. G. F. Richardson on Marshall street, Monday evening. There was a large company of ladies and gentlemen present.

—At the Trinity College Alumni meeting in Boston, yesterday, Rev. E. T. Sullivan was elected vice president. C. C. Barton, Jr., C. C. Barton one of the executive committee.

—The topic of Rev. G. H. Spencer's sermon at the Methodist church next Sunday evening will be "What is Christianity, and who are Christians?" This will be the first in a series on the general subject, "Plain Answers to Important Questions."

—At the Unitarian church next Sunday, services will be conducted by Rev. V. J. Emery of Cambridge. Sunday school, 12 o'clock. Hale Union at 7:30 p. m. Talk by Mr. Wordell, Supt. of the Parker Memorial. Edward Everett Hale Club will meet in Unitarian church parlors, Tuesday evening, Feb. 14. Address by Mr. E. F. Seaver, Supt. of Boston public schools.

—A new philanthropic enterprise in which considerable interest has been manifested by prominent ladies of this place is the intelligence office established at Williams' dry goods store, under the charge of the Newton Centre Women's Club. It will be conducted by one of the clerks in the store, and employers and unemployed will be permitted to register their names.

—The Newton Centre Improvement Society have asked the city government to accept and maintain at the city's expense ladders, life-preservers, ropes and other life-saving apparatus, which have this week been placed on the shores of Crystal Lake. The matter is in charge of the public property committee of the city government, who will make a report at the next meeting of the board of aldermen.

—Despite the inclement weather Wednesday evening, Associates hall was filled by members of the Church Debt Society of the Church of the Sacred Heart, and their friends. A program made up of concert numbers, a cake walk and dancing, furnished abundant amusement for the evening. A large committee, headed by Miss Hannah Foley and Mrs. Robert Levi, had the affair in charge and are to be congratulated on its success.

—There is a great demand for more frequent cars to Newtonville and Newton, as the half hour time makes a long wait if one happens to miss a car. The Newton & Boston road say that they would give twenty minute time, if they had a turn out near the post office, or a spur track on Cypress street, but with the one track at present used by them and the Commonwealth avenue line, more frequent cars are an impossibility. The boulevard cars leave every fifteen minutes, and unless there is a place for cars to pass midway, more frequent service could not be given. President Parker says that no scheme has yet been devised for cars to pass on the same track, although the experiment has often been tried with disastrous results.

NEWTON HIGHLANDS.

—The next meeting of the Monday Club will be with Mrs. Bartlett, Floral avenue.

—Mr. W. E. B. Ryder is confined to the house on account of an attack of the grip.

—Mrs. Bosson, who has been ill for two or three weeks, is now able to be out again.

—Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Ireland of Eliot are being congratulated on the birth of a son.

—The C. L. S. C. of this place will meet with Miss Manson, Lincoln street, Monday afternoon.

—The West End Literary Club will hold its next meeting with Mrs. Winslow Taylor, Columbus street.

—Officer Fletcher of Eliot, after an illness of several weeks with the grip, is now giving some attention to business affairs.

—Mr. Stratford of Upper Falls has moved into the house on Cook street, lately vacated by Mr. Walsh, one of the letter carriers.

—Mr. E. L. Davis of Eliot, who has been confined to his house for several weeks on account of illness, is not yet able to be out.

—The Newton Highlands Improvement Association will give an entertainment Feb. 21st, for the benefit of the Park fund. Full particulars next week.

—Mr. J. W. Foster of Hillside avenue, who has been at home since Christmas on account of ill health, is not yet able to go to his place of business in Boston.

—Rev. T. W. Bishop will preach at the Methodist church next Sunday morning and evening. Sunday school at 12:10. Young People's meeting at 6:45. A cordial welcome to all these services.

—The Bunting Fish Co. will reopen its store at 12 Centre place, Newton, next Tuesday. Messrs. Thomas & Burns, well known here, are to carry on the business.

—At the morning services, All Souls Unitarian church, Highland Club Hall, next Sunday, Rev. Wm. Safford Jones will preach. Sunday school at noon. All are cordially invited.

—Rev. Mr. Paddefoot, whose home is in Framingham, but who has been doing missionary work for many years on the frontier, gave a very interesting account of that work and his own experiences at the Congregational church last Sunday evening to a large and attentive audience.

—The third Neighborhood Conference under the auspices of All Souls Unitarian church will be held at the residence of Mrs. Mary C. Smith, corner of Duane and Fishet avenue, Sunday evening at 7:30. All interested in church music, whether singers or not, are cordially invited.

—At the session of the Sunday school of the Congregational church last Sunday, the list of officers for the year was completed by the election of C. S. Luitwiler for assistant superintendent; Fred Hayward, treasurer; Arthur Hanson, secretary, and Charles Logan, librarian. The business men's class, which was held at the noon hour on Sunday has been discontinued.

Y. M. C. A.

A game tournament in chess, checkers, caroms, and satrui, is now in progress at the association. It will close tomorrow evening.

The third and final members' athletic contest will be held in the gymnasium, Tuesday evening, Feb. 14. Suitable prizes will be awarded to those who have competed in the three meets.

The boys will compete in an athletic contest tomorrow afternoon. The events are as follows: German horse; broad jump; standing; low horizontal bar; 15 yards dash; dumb bell drill and spring board jump.

Stanton H. King of Charlestown, who delighted a Newton audience recently with his lecture on "Twelve years before the Mast," will speak at the men's meeting at 4 p. m. Sunday. All men should hear him.

At a special meeting of the association held last Tuesday evening Mr. C. B. Allen was elected treasurer, and Henry H. Viets clerk, to fill vacancies caused by removal and resignation.

The celebrated "Rooster" case will be tried before the "Mock Court" next Wednesday evening in Association Hall. All participants are prominent Newton citizens who of them having been accused of purchasing a valuable Plymouth Rock rooster from another's flock. Tickets 35 and 50 cents.

Upon invitation of Mr. Willis, the next regular meeting will be held at Allston at the house of Mr. John Manning, No. 1 High Rock Way. Newton and Boston electric cars pass near the door. The occasion will be an Inquiry Meeting for the special benefit of those who want to know the facts about the Single Tax movement.

WABAN.

—The Boys' Club will meet in the choir room on Saturday at 8:30 a. m.

—The King's Daughters will meet today at 4 p. m., with Miss Florence Wood.

—"Soldier and Servant" will be the subject of the rector's address next Sunday evening.

—During Lent, services will be held in the church on Wednesday at 4:30 p. m., and on Fridays at 7:30 p. m.

—The ladies of Waban meet today at 2 o'clock at Mrs. Miller's, Chestnut street, to make ready for the Easter fair.

—Next Wednesday, being Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent, there will be a service at 4:30 p. m. All are invited.

—Rev. Wm. Hall Williams will entertain the Men's Club at supper next Thursday. Mr. Louis K. Harlow will be the essayist.

—The Triangle Club held an interesting meeting at the rector's last Friday evening. The topic for discussion was the Niagara Canal.

—The Rt. Rev. William Lawrence will administer the rite of confirmation in the church next Friday evening, at 7:30 p. m. All welcome.

—Owing to the inclement weather which last week interfered with choir rehearsal, the music announced for last Sunday evening will be rendered at the last of the special evening services next Sunday at 7:30.

—The Woman's Club met with the vice president, Mrs. F. H. Wood of Pine Ridge Road, last Tuesday afternoon. Miss Emma E. Porter of Newton Centre read an excellent paper on "The German Woman of the Middle Ages."

NO STOVES IN KOREA.

Instead Flues Are Laid Under the Floors, Which Are Thus Heated.

Stoves are not used, to any extent by the native Koreans. The Korean method of heating is excellently adapted to their resources and conditions. In building their houses they lay down a system of flues where the floor is to be. These flues begin at a fireplace, which is usually placed in an outer shed or connecting closed alleyway.

From this fireplace the flues extend in a more or less curved direction, like the ribs of a round fan, to a trench at the rear of the room, which in turn opens into a chimney, which is usually placed some distance from the house. Flat flagstones are then placed carefully over these flues, and the whole is cemented over and finally covered with a thick oil paper, for which the country is noted. This paper keeps smoke from entering the room, and a little straw or brushwood, used in the fireplace for cooking the rice, serves to heat the stone floor and gives an agreeable warmth, which lasts till the time of the next meal.

Two heatings daily tend to give the people a nice warm floor, upon which they sit in the daytime and sleep at night. By leaving their shoes at the door the inmates preserve the paper floor, which from constant polishing takes on a rich brown color.—New York Press.

Maori Women.

The Maori women of Australasia have their rights—flourishing ones. Generally they have little voice or choice in the selection of their first husbands, and they may, and frequently do, change them. A woman may trade her husband without so much as a comment from the public, without the slightest smudge on her good name, and it is nothing to his discredit either. Courtship is always brief and does not often preface marriage. The Maoris, however, love to repeat oriental love tales and sing love songs. Maori widows not infrequently commit suicide on the graves of their husbands and are honored for doing so, as in China. Divorce is simple; it needs no revenue, employs no officers. He turns her out of doors, and both are free to remarry. This is all. Girls are often betrothed irrevocably from infancy.

Protection.

Nephew (from the city)—Why do you have those lightning rods on your house and barn, Uncle Josh? Don't you know the theory that they afford protection has long since been exploded?

Uncle Josh—Waal, I kin tell you they dew act as perctekters, they try or no they try.

Nephew—Do you mean to tell me you believe they protect you from lightning?

Uncle Josh—Mebby not, young un, mebbly not, but they perctekt me from them pesky lightning rod peddlers.—Chicago News.

Feeding Hotel Help.

The first work done in the Waldorf-Astoria, New York, each day is the preparation of breakfast for 1,200 employees. The last of these meals is served usually before the earliest rising guest sleepily orders his eggs and coffee, thinking himself almost a hero to be breakfasting at such an hour.

Swindled.

Mrs. Smarte says her husband is the worst man that ever was to go shopping. He's almost sure to get swindled every time. "Why," she says, "it was only t'other day that he bought a flute, and when it came home, if you'll believe it, 'twas full of holes."—Boston Transcript.

In Extremis.

Husband—My darling, when I am gone, how will you ever be able to pay the doctor's bill?

Wife—Don't worry about that, dear. If the worst comes to the worst, I will marry the doctor.—Medical Record.

One of Disraeli's Epigrams.

Disraeli's epigrams were pointed and doubled edged, and this one, given by Mr. George Russell in his diary, is about as sharp as Disraeli could make it. Some one had asked Disraeli if he had read the "Greville Memoirs." Now, there never had been much animosity between him and the Greville, and so he said: "I do not feel attracted to them. I knew the author, and he was the most conceited person with whom I have been brought in contact, although I have read Clever and known Bulwer Lytton."

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The name of the Corporation shall be Waltham Newton & Forest Hills Street Railway Company.

The proposed Railway is to commence at Pine Street at its intersection with Moody Street in the City of Waltham and County of Middlesex and to extend through the city of Waltham to and through the city of Newton in said county, thence to and through the city of Boston in the County of Suffolk to the intersection of South Street and Washington Street its terminus.

Its length will be Thirteen miles, and its gauge four feet eight and one-half inches, as required by law.

The Capital Stock of said Company shall be Two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000). The seven following named persons, being subscribers to these Articles, and a majority of them, inhabitants of Newton, Waltham, and Boston shall act as a Board of Directors, until others are chosen by the Corporation, viz:

Charles F. Avery of Newton, E. D. Van Tassel of Newton, Richard Anders of Newton, Henry S. Milton of Waltham, William M. Butler of Boston, Fred C. Hinds of Newton, Charles H. Wilson of Brookline.

And we hereby severally agree to take the number of shares in the capital stock of said Corporation set against our respective names.

Witness our hands, this Third day of February, 1899.

Subscriber, William M. Butler, residence, Boston, P. O. Address, 434-438 Tremont Building, Boston, 300 shares; Fred C. Hinds of Newton, 53 State Street, Boston, 300 shares; Charles H. Wilson, Brookline, 320 Exchange Bldg., 200 shares; Jas. F. Shaw, Newburyport, 53 State St., Boston, 300 shares; H. Fisher Eldredge, Portsmouth, N. H., 24 Bow St., Portsmouth, N. H., 200 shares; E. F. Shaw, Newburyport, 53 State St., Boston, 200 shares; Geo. A. Putnam, Malden, 53 State St., Boston, 50 shares; B. D. Sumner, Newton, 53 State St., Boston, 25 shares; Eben Sumner, Newton, State House, 25 shares; Rufus A. Soule, New Bedford, New Bedford, 25 shares; L. B. Schofield, Newton, 117 Devonshire St., 10 shares; Chas. F. Avery, Newton, 504 Atlantic Ave., Boston, 50 shares; J. Albert Brackett, Boston, 92 State St., Boston, 5 shares; Thomas M. Elwell, Newton, 100 Sumner St., 10 shares; Richard Anders, Newton, 143 Federal St., Boston, 50 shares; Henry S. Milton, Waltham, 10 Tremont St., Boston, 50 shares; Frank M. Copeland, Newton, 53 Tremont St., Boston, 10 shares; Caleb S. Spencer, Newton, 59 Franklin St., Boston, 10 shares; Calvert Cray, Newton, 107 South St., Boston, 25 shares; R. S. Tolmon, Waltham, 10 shares; E. D. Van Tassel, Newton, 47 South St., Boston, 25 shares.

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Overdrafts, secured and unsecured.	90,000 00
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation.	90,000 00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds.	8,091 43
Stocks, securities, etc.	19,493 80
Banking-house, furniture, and fixtures.	45,538 50
Other real estate and mortgages owned.	830 19
Due from approved reserve agents.	106,630 15
Exchanges for clearing-house.	6,531 89
Notes of other National Banks.	6,080 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents.	176 96
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:	
Specie.	33,886 35
Legal-tender notes.	11,000 00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation).	4,050 00
Total.	\$748,794 71

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in.	\$200,000 00
Surplus fund.	40,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid.	10,327 00
National Bank notes outstanding.	78,500 00
Due to other National Banks.	430 33
Dividends unpaid.	157 50
Individual deposits subject to check.	414,843 68
Demand certificates of deposit.	2,821 87
Certified checks.	1,706 05
Total.	\$748,794 71

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I, B. Franklin Bacon, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

B. FRANKLIN BACON, Cashier.

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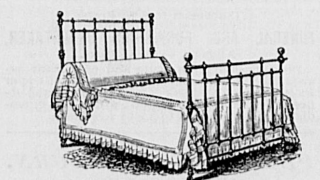
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—Developing and printing for amateurs done by E. E. Snyder.

—Mr. Louis A. Hall is ill at his home on Elmwood street.

—Mr. Sterling Elliott has returned from Providence, R. I.

—Mr. Joseph Hessian will this week occupy the house No. 15 Capitol street.

—Dr. J. R. F. McLaughlin returned the first of the week from a Canadian trip.

—G. P. Atkins calls attention this week to his especially fine California oranges.

—Mrs. Henry F. Clark and Miss Clark leave this week for Philadelphia and Washington.

—The State Centurion of the L. A. W., has appointed Mr. E. P. Burnham a local agent.

—Alderman Ivy has so far recovered from his recent illness as to be able to be out again.

—Mrs. Owens of Park street has returned from a three weeks' visit in Portland, Maine.

—Mr. Oliver Livermore of Galen street returned this week from an extended western business trip.

—Mr. and Mrs. George E. Allen have returned from their recent trip, to their home on Centre street.

—Rev. Mr. Babcock of Hyde Park is to speak in Grace church on Sunday night, on "How to Help the Minister."

—A meeting of the advisory committee followed last Sunday evening's service at the Immanuel Baptist church.

—Mr. George Curry of Ironwood, Michigan, is here the guest of his sister, Mrs. Ralph Bartlett of Richardson street.

All scissors, razors, etc., we use are sterilized by the new antiseptic process, and are free from infection. Burns, Cole's block.

—Miss Kempshall and Miss Buffum were present at the Auherst College Junior Promenade last Friday evening, in Amherst.

—The Freedman's Aid Sewing Circle was entertained yesterday afternoon by Mrs. George R. McFarlin at her home on Hunnewell terrace.

—Rev. C. H. Daniels, Mr. F. W. Stearns, and Mr. F. A. Day have been chosen members of the board of trustees of the Central Turkey College.

—The subject at next Sunday's meeting of the Bazaar of the Eliot church will be "Has the Time Come to Make the Indian a Citizen?"

—The organ recital announced by Messrs. Barrell and Sladen at Grace church, Monday evening, has been postponed until after the Lenten season.

—Herman, the young son of Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Tucker of Church street, has so far recovered from his recent illness, as to be able to be about the house.

—Among those from Newton, who attended the Middlesex Club dinner at Young's Hotel, Boston, last Saturday, was Hon. Beverly K. Moore of Fallow hill.

—At the meeting of the Dartmouth College Lunch Club held last Saturday evening at the University Club, Boston, Mr. Samuel L. Powers was elected president.

—Last Saturday, the winners of the game tournament at the Y. M. C. A. were announced. C. B. Cox led in checkers, Chas. Bowers in chess, and W. A. Greenough in Satran.

—"Electricity and Magnetism" was the subject of Mr. Clifford L. Clever's address before the Young Men's Club of Eliot church, Tuesday evening. Five minute talks by members followed.

—News has been received from Camp Wetherill, Greenville, South Carolina, of a fire in Capt. Springer's tent, which the fire says was extinguished by the lieutenants, with but little damage.

—At the meeting of the Woman's Association, held in the parlors of the Eliot church, last Tuesday afternoon, an address was delivered by President House of Kingfisher College, in Oklahoma, Japan.

—Rev. E. H. Byington, D. D., of Franklin street, president of the Boston Alumni of the University of Vermont, presided at the meeting and banquet held last Friday evening at the Parker House, Boston.

—Dr. Hudson invites all who like fine confectionery to see the display at his store in the Stevens building. A magnificent assortment of fresh goods, three times a week of Lowmyer's popular chocolates.

—The Young Women's Mission Club met with Miss Eleanor Merrill at her home on Centre street, Tuesday afternoon. The topic was "Alaska," and after its consideration, St. Valentine's day was celebrated.

—Mr. F. O. Stanley was appointed a member of the executive committee of the Massachusetts Alumni of the Farmington, Maine, State Normal School, at the annual dinner held in Boston, last Saturday afternoon.

—The pulpit of the Eliot church will be occupied next Sunday by Rev. Nehemiah Boynton, D. D., of Detroit, Michigan, who will exchange with Rev. Dr. Davis. Rev. Dr. Boynton was for some years pastor of the Union church in Boston.

—On Wednesday evening, the regular monthly service was held in the vestry of the Methodist church. At the usual hour supper was served, and a program made up of musical and literary numbers furnished pleasure for the remainder of the evening.

—Music at Channing church next Sunday morning: Prelude, "Elegie" for cello. Von Goess Magnificat. Parker Handel "How long wilt Thou forget me?" Prueger Serenade for cello. Schubert Postlude, Hosanna. Dubois Mr. Hermann Heberlein of the Boston Symphony Orchestra will play the cello numbers.

—Rev. E. H. Byington, D. D., presided at the 8th annual reunion of the New England Association of the Alumni of the University of Vermont, held in Boston, last Friday evening. It was a most serious gathering than some of the college reunions, but the loyalty to their alma mater was just as manifest. The dinner was followed by speeches from President Buchanan, and other educators and graduates. Dr. Byington retired from the position of president of the association and was succeeded by Chas. A. Allen of West Newton, who was elected one of the vice presidents.

—Members of the Jefferson Club and their friends turned out in good numbers last Friday evening at Armory hall, the occasion being the first ball held under the club's auspices. From 8 to 2, over fifty couples enjoyed dancing, with an intermission and supper at 12 o'clock. The reception committee included Joseph P. Murphy, John Kinchilla and Michael Kinchilla, assisted by Joseph P. Dargan, treasurer, and Dennis T. Ryan, secretary. The floor director was James A. Hannon, and the following acted as his aids: James A. Keenle, Brian Kelley, Thomas Klocker, Hugh J. Murphree, William Keefe, Thomas Trainor, Michael Keating, Edward J.

Barke, Cornelius Keefe, Frank G. Woodman, B. Malloy, and D. J. O'Connell.

—Leland T. Powers, at Lasell, tomorrow evening. See adv.

—"The Mikado" postponed last Monday on account of the storm, will be given next Monday evening.

—Mrs. Parker, mother of Mrs. Currier of Hunnewell Hill, is recovering from a severe attack of pneumonia.

—Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bartlett will entertain the Monday Evening Waist Club next week at their residence on Richardson street.

—About 5.40 o'clock last Friday evening, engine 1 company extinguished a chimney fire in the house of C. W. Shaw at 83 Edredge street.

—Hon. G. D. Gilman will deliver an address at the University Club, Boston, on "The New England Women's Club. His subject will be "Hawaii and Expansion."

—The Ward 1 Republican committee has organized with the choice of these officers: D. F. Barber chairman, Reuben Forknall secretary, and Fred W. Stone treasurer.

—"The Miners of the Black Hills" will be the topic of an address by Mrs. Ware of South Dakota, in the parish of Grace church at 2.45 p. m. next Thursday. Ladies' invited.

—The Social Science Club will meet at the Hunnewell Club, Thursday, Feb. 23d, at 10 o'clock. Topic, "The Survival of the Fittest." Please note change of date.

—Mr. Charles E. Lord left today for a snow shoe trip to Mt. Chocoma, where he will take winter views. Then he will join Mr. W. R. Davis of Park street and other Appalachianers on the snow shoe excursion to Jackson.

A number of interesting subjects came up at the prayer meeting last Friday evening in the Eliot church. The notable missionary events of the year were considered, among them the deputation to China, the newly organized Alaska Mission and of the Japan College.

—Dr. A. S. Twombly will be in charge of a missionary meeting to be held next Sunday evening by the Young People's society of the Eliot church. A missionary meeting will be held next Sunday evening, at the Immanuel Baptist church. Mr. Geo. H. Safford will lead.

—There was an interesting meeting of the Unitarian Club last evening, in the parlors of the Channing church. At the usual hour supper was served, followed by an interesting paper on "The Reservation of Birds," read by Mrs. F. B. Hornbrooke. Among the special guests were a number of ladies.

—Mrs. Job Turner, mother of Mr. Albion B. Turner of this place, died last Saturday at her apartments in the Empire, Commonwealth avenue, Boston. She was a former resident here, where she had a large circle of friends. The funeral services were held Tuesday morning, in the chapel of the Forest Hills cemetery, and conducted by Rev. F. B. Hornbrooke.

—Music at Grace church Sunday evening: Processional, "Fight the Good Fight." H. W. Parker Magnificat. Stanford in F flat Anthem, "O Lord my trust is in Thy Mercy." King Hall "O Saviour of the World." Goss Retrocessional, "Nearer My God to Thee." Sullivan Seats free.

—Music in Eliot church next Sunday: MORNING. Organ prelude, Adagio in E. Merkel Anthem, "Praise God in His Holiness." Tours Duet, (soprano and tenor). "Wherefore is thy soul cast down?" Costa Quartet, "I heard the voice of Jesus say." Schuecker Organ postlude, Grand chorus in G. Salome EVENING. Organ prelude, Berceuse. Salome Anthem, "Hark hark my soul." Shelley Quartet, "The lost sheep." Jordan "Praise God, 'No evil shall befall thee." Costa Organ selections, (at close of service). Whiting Pastorals in F. Adagio and Finale. Spohr

—Over 150 church members and guests attended the reception to Rev. and Mrs. F. B. Hornbrooke, Tuesday evening, in the Channing church parlors from 8 to 10 o'clock. The space in front of the stage occupied by the receiving party, formed a bower of palms and potted plants, while similar decorations beautified the stage. The receiving party included Rev. and Mrs. F. B. Hornbrooke, Mr. and Mrs. Abram Byfield. The ushers were Messrs. John T. Alden, William T. Coppins, Lorine Marshall, George Lane, Jr., and Clifford Kinchilla. The refreshment tables were presided over by Miss Whiting, Miss Hattie Stevens, Mrs. Ralph C. Emery, and Miss Grace Bart, assisted by the Misses Mason, Miss Stearns, Miss Shepard, Miss Pote, Miss Manville, and Miss Loring.

—Last Saturday evening occurred the death of Mrs. Margaret M. Harkins, wife of Cornelius P. Harkins, at the home of her son, Dr. Cornelius P. Harkins on South street, Jamaica Plain. Mrs. Harkins had been ill about four weeks. She was the daughter of John and Mary Crowley of East Boston, in which place she was born of 60 years ago. Her father was one of the pioneer residents of Noddie Island. Mrs. Harkins made her home in Newton, at the corner of Crafts and Washington streets, for thirty years. She was one of the first converts to the Church of Our Lady, and for twenty years organizer at that church. For the past two years she had been staying with her son in Jamaica Plain. Her husband was for many years manager of the Boston branch of the White Dental Co. of Philadelphia. He is the owner of a large amount of real estate in Newton. Mrs. Harkins leaves a husband, five sons, and two daughters. Her sons are Rev. John J. Harkins, curate of St. Augustine's church, South Boston; Dr. Cornelius P. Harkins of Jamaica Plain; Sgt. A. L. Harkins, 3d U. S. artillery; Frank G. Harkins of Boston, and Dr. Daniel S. Harkins of Dorchester. Her daughters are Rose A., wife of Dr. F. M. O'Donnell of Newton, and Mary G., wife of Dr. S. A. Callahan of Roxbury. The funeral took place Wednesday, from the Church of Our Lady. The services at the church were preceded by private services at the home of her son-in-law, Dr. F. M. O'Donnell. Solemn high mass of requiem was celebrated by the Rev. Fr. Harkins of Holyoke, assisted by the Rev. E. H. Callahan of Newton Lower Falls and the Rev. Fr. Russell of Boston. The body was removed to Holyoke cemetery, Brookline, for burial. There were beautiful floral pieces, including a very handsome one from a lodge of the Knights of Columbus, of which Rev. J. J. Harkins is chaplain. The pall-bearers were Messrs. Charles and Timothy McCre, George and John Cranitch, P. A. Murray and James Murphy. Among the priests present at the funeral were: Revs. D. O'Callaghan, D. D. T. Mahoney, F. Brogan, of South Boston; E. Butler, and J. Gilfeather of Newton; L. O'Toole, West Newton; C. Riordan, Newton Upper Falls; Dr. Daley, Waltham; C. Boyle, J. Farrell, J. Walsh, Roxbury; M. C. Gilbride, South Boston; D. Linnahan, Somerville; M. Madden, Jamaica Plain; J. Butler, Brookline; G. Lyons, Hyde Park; J. Driscoll, F. Malin, Charlestown; J. Harrigan, and Jas. McCarthy of Roxbury.

—A grand concert will be given in Y. M. C. A. hall, Thursday, Feb. 24, at 8 p. m., by the M. I. T. Glee, Banjo and Mandolin clubs, assisted by a reader of marked ability. Over thirty men will participate, and the program will please everyone. The high character of this entertainment ought to fill the hall. Admission 35 cents. Reserved seats, 50 cents. Special rates to Y. M. C. A. members.

—Sidney M. Sawyer, 30, claiming Cambridge as his home, was arrested last Monday noon, by Patrolman Conroy, charged with larceny from a building. Sawyer entered the store of the Eliot Clothing Co. in the Stevens building, and aroused the suspicions of the clerk by his actions. Patrolman Conroy arrested Sawyer on a car of the Boston Elevated, and took him to station 1. When searched, four pairs of trousers valued at \$18 were found in his possession. These were identified as the property of the Eliot Clothing Co. In court, Wednesday, Sawyer was given nine months in the house of correction. He has a record of two years for robbery in Woburn, and has served two sentences for similar work in Boston.

—The hen roosts of Newton will be protected, and owners of poultry may sleep peacefully nights for at least six months, for last Wednesday evening the "accused" was tried, convicted, and sentenced at the "Mock Court Trial" in Y. M. C. A. hall. Mr. D. Fletcher Barber was accused by Mr. A. H. Bailey of poisoning his favorite Plymouth Rock rooster. The evidence was conclusive and convincing, even though the defense was strong and vigorous. The most damaging evidence came out of the complainant's valet in the shape of a bottle labelled "ether" from one of our local druggists. The court accepted it in spite of the objections of the defendant's counsel. The most prominent men in the country, including "Peach" Denew and John L. Sullivan, sat on the case in the capacity of jurymen, and after suffering untold agonies during the pleading of the counsel for the defense they promptly brought in a verdict of "guilty." The judge sentenced the prisoner to six months in the Old Ladies Home. The participants were as follows: Judge, S. Essing, Esq

NEWTON BLIZZARD BOUND.

GREAT STORM OF MONDAY TOO MUCH FOR STEAM AND ELECTRICS—CITY COMPLETELY ISOLATED A DAY AND NIGHT—COMMUNICATION TO THE OUTSIDE WORLD EXCEPT BY TELEPHONE, ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE—STREETS BLOCKED BY THE GREATEST FALL OF SNOW IN YEARS.

Without a parallel in Newton's history as a city, Monday's snow storm was of gigantic proportions. It almost completely crippled the Boston & Albany and the electric, cutting off all means of travel to and from Boston or village to village.

All day Sunday the snow fell relentlessly, but by evening it had ceased, leaving the general impression that there would be nothing more or less inconvenience and delay as a result. Monday morning, however, it began again with redoubled fury, and continued until the early hours of Tuesday.

Early Monday the trains and trolleys were fairly regular, but long before noon they were forced to disregard schedules, and infrequent trips were the rule. The trains became delayed, and many snow-bound. The electric, headed and followed by plows and gangs of shovelers fought desperately, but found it well nigh impossible to handle the great quantities of snow.

Business men in Boston found it impossible to reach home. Many remained in town over night. A word of praise is due the Boston Elevated, however. It established a new record in battling with snow drifts. Through splendid management and hearty co-operation by high and low employees, combined with almost superhuman exertion, its lines were kept open, and sunrise of Tuesday found it in condition to run cars very nearly on schedule time.

This record was in marked contrast to the Boston & Albany, which did almost nothing for the accommodation of Newton traffic. There were no outward bound trains Monday afternoon. Would-be passengers crowded the Boston station, but were compelled to wait for a train before a train could be made up. Many of those who were anxious to reach home became tired of waiting, and made Boston their temporary address.

Trains even Tuesday were infrequent, and only two tracks were open on the main line. The Circuit commutators fared even worse. The Woonsocket division of the New York & New England was not heard from until Wednesday morning. Passengers bound for Needham, Highlandville, Dover, Medford and Charles River Village were abandoned at Newton Highlands, and were cared for by the hospitable members of the Highland Club. These gentlemen made a cavaresary of the club house, and continued their hospitality until Tuesday afternoon, when the belated wayfarers were carried to their homes in three of S. L. Eaton's large puns.

THE LOCAL STREET RAILWAYS

commenced their battle with the snow Monday afternoon. Until late Monday night they did their best to keep the tracks clear. The Newton & Boston street railway and the Wellesley & Boston street railway were handicapped by the breaking down of two plows. As a result, the lines were not in operation to any extent until Wednesday.

The Commonwealth avenue street railway has the most exposed tracks, but not withstanding this, it has been kept open. To the Newton street railway much credit is due. The greater part of Tuesday cars were running from this place to Waltham over the main line, fair time. The Bemis line tracks are still snowed under.

THE STREETS

were heavily blocked, but Commissioner of Streets Ross and an augmented force of highway department laborers worked day and night. Ploughs and teams were early in action, and ever since have been very active. The removal of the snow will cost the city over \$10,000, it is estimated.

Residents in that section of the city where it is compulsory to keep the sidewalks clear of snow, showed their willingness to comply with the ordinances. Other parts were desolate and barren wastes until the city's teams and shovelers got in their work.

Asst. Commissioner of Streets Stuart was thrown from his sleigh Tuesday morning, and had several fingers hurt. His sleigh became overturned in the huge drifts at Newtonville.

MAILS.

were twenty-four hours late on the north side, while on the south side the condition of things was much worse. The south side of the city was practically shut off from civilization for a day and more.

THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Luckily there was nothing for the fire department to do other than keep the sidewalks in front of the engine houses free from snow, and to clear the snow away from hydrants. This, however, kept all the permanent men busy, and in many cases call men ably assisted. The wires and boxes gave very little if any trouble.

NO SCHOOL.

signals were run Monday afternoon and twice on Tuesday. The fact that Supt. Aldrich failed to sound the "no school" signal Monday morning has caused much unfavorable criticism. Many pupils turned out and faced the storm, but were late in reaching home after the session. Several High school pupils on the south side were passengers on the snow bound trains, and did not reach home until late at night. Some attempted to walk, and suffered all kinds of inconveniences before arriving at their destination.

THE POLICE.

were little the worse for the heavy storm. The signal box system was in first class shape, and though the patrolmen found it difficult to make their rounds through the drifts, every call pulled was registered at headquarters. Monday night the men were given instruction to be on the lookout for fires and other possible damage. Some day men were several hours in reaching home after being relieved at the 5.30 afternoon shift. Several night officers were delayed in reaching their routes Monday night, but none absented themselves.

FELL AND FROZEN.

Thomas Cummings, on his way from Newton to Newton Centre, Monday evening, in what the police claim was an isolated condition, suffers now with a frozen foot and ankle, the result of exposure. About 10 o'clock a message was received at police station 1, Newton, that a drunken man was lying in the snow on Centre street. Patrolmen Good and Haynes were detailed by Sergt. Tom Clay, and about 10.15 found Thomas Cummings in a snow bank at the corner of Sargent and Centre streets. He was half buried in the snow, and very drunk. They called the patrol wagon and he was removed to police headquarters. He was without a shoe or stocking on the left foot, and a slight search on the part of the officers failed to locate the missing property. At police headquarters Cummings was cared for by the city physician. The patrol wagon made the run from West Newton to the box at the corner of Centre and Sargent streets and return in fifty-two minutes. This is certainly worthy of more than passing notice, considering the condition of the streets.

NO COURT.

There was no session of the police court,

Tuesday morning, owing to Judge Kennedy's inability to reach the court house at West Newton. Clerk of Court Hittlesley opened court, and it was immediately adjourned.

TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH

service was but slightly affected. The communication between villages over the wires was remarkably good, though the men were prepared for breaks and fallen wires.

INCIDENTS.

There are countless incidents of the big storm which, if all recorded, would probably make very interesting reading. Some of them are told below.

City Hall officials were forced to close their offices early Monday and make an early start for home. The majority engaged hacks, and suffered but little delay in consequence.

On Tuesday everybody except City Messengers, Wellington and Jarrow, Powell, were late in reaching the offices. All departments were represented, and by noon everything was in working order. There was no great amount of work as the visitors to the hall were few in number.

A carriage started from Newton Monday evening with three passengers, one for Newtonville, one for West Newton and the third for the Woodland Park Hotel. The first man paid \$2, the second \$2.50, and the third \$3. The passengers set their own price, and felt the hack driver was very reasonable.

Newspapers were at a premium Monday night. The Boston Globe had a four-horse team out, and every copy was readily disposed of. As this was the only paper obtainable the Globe received much commendation for its enterprise.

There was a scarcity of milk Tuesday, although the milk men made their rounds Monday. In some cases milk dealers refused to attempt making the rounds, knowing their horses would undoubtedly suffer, and that the immense amount of snow would force them to abandon their teams.

Some Boston business men, with homes in Newton, complained of the crowded condition of the down town hotels of the Hub, saying that food was scarce. One man found sleeping apartments unobtainable, and paid \$1.50 for the privilege of sleeping on a billiard table.

At West Newton a snow plow, an engine and a passenger train on the Boston & Albany were tied up on the tracks under the Washington street bridge, for several hours. The engines having exhausted their water supply, it was found necessary to call upon the fire department for a line of hose, and a pump was run from the hydrant in front of fire engine 2's house to the trains at Eddy's coal yard.

At Woodland a passenger train spent the greater part of Monday afternoon and night. Others were stalled on the Circuit.

The report of extinguished lights was surprising. Not over half a dozen areas and incandescents were out of order. A number of gas and oil lamps, which the caretaker was unable to reach in his sleigh, were of course left unlighted.

Local business men had their stores open but found it difficult to receive their customers' orders. Despite all there was no famine, and nobody suffered severely from the blizzard.

All sorts of stories are told of trying expeditions in the storm. One of the gentlemen started from Boston in an electric, and when that was stalled, walked ahead to the next one in front, and made six changes of this kind before reaching Newton. A party of twelve started out with four horses to bring them out, and were five hours on the trip. Those who stayed in Boston had still worse experiences, according to the stories told at home, but as the daily papers say that all the Boston theatres were crowded with men, and tell tales of the jolly crowds at the hotels, perhaps they did not suffer as much as might have been expected.

True, however, that the early trains and electric on Tuesday brought out numbers of weary looking men, with tales of the possibility of finding any room at the hotels, and who said they had to pass the night at their stores and offices.

Newton Highlands and Upper Falls could not be reached by cars over the Newton & Boston street railway until late yesterday, and the Allston terminus was just as remote.

Several pupils of the High school, whose homes are at Lower Falls, spent Monday night at the River Street depot.

Tuesday is commonly pay day among the city departments, but not until Wednesday did Paymaster Newhall make his rounds.

Almost all events of social importance announced for Monday and Tuesday evening were postponed. Some until after the Lenten season, while others will come next week.

There was a marriage ceremony at Newton Centre in the height of the storm, late Monday afternoon. The groom was late in reaching the home of the bride, and the minister walked from Newtonville rather than cause any disappointment.

There was no outward bound train on the Circuit between 4 in the afternoon and midnight. Passengers on the latter had to struggle to reach home after leaving the cars at Newton Centre and Newton Highlands.

Chief Randlett met with a bad accident Tuesday afternoon while driving on Washington street, near the Newtontown black house. His horses were being driven tandem when they suddenly became frightened and started to run away. The runners of the sleigh became caught in the rails, and caused the vehicle to overturn. The chief was thrown out, but escaped unhurt. His driver pluckily held the reins, and was dragged several hundred feet. His plucky action prevented any serious accident, however. The shafts of the sleigh and a portion of the harness were damaged.

There is great demand for coal, all dealers having as many orders as it is possible to fill, and it has gone up a dollar a ton. They complain that the number of necessary horses are not available, but are doing their best for the accommodation of the trade.

Give the Children a Drink

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Newton Congregational Club.

The next regular meeting of the Newton Congregational Club will be held in the chapel of Central church, Newtonville, on Monday evening, Feb. 20, 1899.

The doors will be open at 5 o'clock, and supper will be served at 5.30 o'clock. Special attention will be given to the social hour, and it is hoped that a large number will be present as early as half-past five o'clock.

The topic for the evening will be, "A Century since Washington's Time: How changed the Ideas of Christian Citizenship have been?"

The Rev. Archibald McCullagh, D.D., of Plymouth church, Worcester, will open the discussion, and will be followed by Singing will be furnished by the Central church choir, Miss Avis C. Day, Miss Victoria Johnson, Mr. F. A. Norris, Mr. F. B. Rogers, with the organist, Mr. Fred H. Young, as accompanist.

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W. F. Hahn.

"MIKADO" BY AMATEURS.

SUCCESSFUL PRESENTATION OF THIS POPULAR OPERA IN TEMPLE HALL—TWO PERFORMANCES LARGELY ATTENDED.

It is doubtful if Gilbert & Sullivan's famous "Mikado" was ever given a more faithful amateur presentation than by the clever company of amateurs who appeared in this opera at its two successful productions in Temple Hall, Newtonville.

Given under the direction of Mrs. Philip W. Carter for the benefit of the Newton Federation of Women's Clubs, it may be said to reflect a great amount of credit upon this lady's efforts to complete its success. There were performances Friday evening and Saturday afternoon of last week.

The audiences were made up of representative Newton folk, while many from out-of-town formed a portion of the audience. As a social event it was of unusual importance, many of the cast being well known in society circles.

To the stage manager, Mr. James Gilbert, the success of artists is largely due. To him the appreciation of the performers' work by the audience must have been gratifying as each one showed the results of his careful training.

The staging of the piece was remarkably good considering the amount of stage room available for scenic effect, when the entire stage was filled with performers.

In the cast were several well known Newton favorites who were seen at their best. The comedy work of Mr. Gilbert as Ko Ko was a leading feature, while the work of Mr. Charles W. Cole and Mr. Paul Savage compared favorably with that of professionals. Mr. Boffum and Mr. King sustained roles of importance with good results. Miss Carter's singing in the part of Yum-Yum was itself a distinct hit.

While Miss Martin, Miss Casey and Miss Coolidge gave every evidence of possessing marked talent for this line of work, bringing out as they did all the possibilities of the parts. These young ladies proved themselves capable of even more difficult work along these lines. The concerted singing of the chorus was unusually good, and the ensemble of both principals and chorus were truly handsome and elaborate, evoking the sincere praise and admiration of the audience. The cast of characters:

The Mikado of Japan, Mr. Roland M. King
Sanki-Poo, Mr. Charles J. Boffum
Ko-Ko, Mr. James Gilbert
Poo-Bah, Mr. Charles W. Cole
Fish-Ton, Mr. Paul Savage
Yum-Yum, Miss Lucy L. Carter
Pint Sing, Miss Josephine Martin
Sally, Miss Sally Casey
Katisha, Miss Linda Coolidge
Chorus of school girls, Nobles and Guards.

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to the coffee drinker. Coffee drinking is a habit that is universally indulged in and almost as universally injurious. Have you tried Grain-O? It is almost like coffee but the effects are just the opposite. Coffee upsets the stomach, ruins the digestion, gives the heart and disturbs the whole nervous system. Grain-O tones up the stomach, aids digestion and strengthens the nerves. There is nothing but nourishment in it. It can't be otherwise. 15 and 25c per package.

Brighton's High School.

Rev. Mr. Berle is telling some queer tales concerning Brighton's high school house, which was built only about three years ago at a cost of about \$125,000. Its heating and ventilating appliances were condemned as something worse than useless within six months after the school was opened, and the school was closed for a week. Large sums of money have been spent and resented on the sanitary appointments of the building, and now these are the source of constant trouble and annoyance to the teachers and pupils. Altogether these allegations make up a rather disgraceful story, and the pity of it is that they are all true.

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Newton Federation Meeting.

The Newton Federation of Women's Clubs met Friday, Feb. 10 at Bray's Hall, Newton Centre. Mrs. Peloubet, the president of the Federation, presided. The speaker of the afternoon was Mr. E. B. Haskell, member of the Metropolitan Park Commission, who gave a most instructive talk upon "The Park System."

Twelve cities and twenty-four towns within a radius of twelve miles of Boston are included in this system. These cities and towns have a population of about eleven million and pay two-thirds of the whole tax. In 1892 the legislature appointed this commission, calling it "The Commission on Public Revenues." The idea was to obtain the control of historical places, either by gift or purchase.

A permanent Metropolitan Park Commission was appointed in 1893, with a fund of a million dollars to carry out its work. This commission has taken the rocky heights in Blue Hill, 4700 acres, the Middlesex Fells, 3000 acres, Beaver Brook Reservation, including Waverly Oaks, the Newton Upper Falls Hemlock Gorge Reservation, and others.

In building boulevards, the general plan is to connect densely populated portions with these reservations.

Plans are in progress for improving the Charles River. The commission has taken this river from Cottage Farm to Newton Upper Falls, some nineteen miles. The work of the commission is of great importance to what Boston and other cities have done for themselves.

A spirit of improvement is in the air, Cambridge has purchased land about Fresh Pond, and Brighton has plans to improve Spy Pond. Chicago has beautiful parks, Minneapolis a fine park system, St. Louis, and a great many other cities at home and abroad are constantly improving their parks.

Charles Eliot, perhaps more than any other man may be called the father of this work, and it was a great loss to our country and the world when his life came so early to its close.

Vestibule Cars.

(Brighton Item.)

Commenting on the efforts of the Newton & Boston street railway company to get its cars to Park street over the tracks of the Boston Elevated, it may be well to call attention to the contrast that will be apparent in cold stormy weather, in the provisions for the comfort and health of the employees, made by the two companies.

All are familiar with the open, exposed condition of the motor cars and conductors of the Boston Elevated. Great indeed will be the contrast with the Newton & Boston line vestibule cars scattered between.

THE BURNING QUESTION.

MR. NATHANIEL T. ALLEN ON THE ETHICAL SIDE OF THE PHILIPPINE QUESTION.

[Letter in Boston Transcript.]

It is to the ethical touchstone we should bring every social, theological and political question.

The political un wisdom of the proposed Philippine annexation has been demonstrated by our own noblest and wisest statesmen, so that he who runs may read and understand. Morally the scheme is in direct opposition to every precept of Jesus, as enunciated in the immortal sermon on the mount. Annexationists make no appeal to the moral sense; contrast the superb address of Senator Hoar with that of his colleague, Cabot Lodge, the Christian statesman and the jingo politician. Our faith in the eternal verities should be such that no amount of the politician's twaddle, if wanting on the ethical side, should find lodgment with us. The crowd may and often does out-vote us, but "one with God is a majority." It is in this spirit that the Cuban, Hawaiian and Philippine questions should be examined by all.

As with individuals, so with nations, their sins will find them out. The man who kills another we call a murderer; what shall we say of the nation which causes the death of thousands? The day of retribution cannot be evaded, for while the mills of God grind slowly, they grind surely. Jefferson said regarding slavery, "I tremble for my country, when I consider that God is just and his justice will not slumber forever." The sin of slavery was atoned for in part by our late civil war, with its horrid results of butcheries and demoralization, the effects of which were not outgrown when our late war was so recklessly forced upon us. At President McKinley's request, Spain yielded point after point of his demands—that the cruel General Weyler be removed from his command; that permission be granted to take food to starving Cubans; that autonomy be granted to Cuba of the same character which Cuba's traitors from Emilio had indemnity be paid for the destruction of the Maine, and that a truce be granted; that full terms could be arranged with the Cuban insurgents. It was the opinion of our President and cabinet that his demand for the entire freedom of Cuba could be obtained from Spain, with some weeks' further negotiation, which he urged should be granted. The unprincipled jingos in Congress and the press wickedly forced the hand of the President and declared war. An iniquitous beginning cannot be expected to have a good ending. Nothing can atone for the murders of a war we forced upon Spain.

Of our connection with Hawaii, it was a dastardly act which ordered the United States to land and act in Hawaii, overthrowing the constituted government, overturning a monarchy and establishing an oligarchy, which is a more distasteful form of government to a true American. We have many a good thing in Hawaii, but the citizens and natives of Hawaii whose pecuniary interests are greatly enhanced by annexation to the United States. Still as the present only a mere fraction of the inhabitants was asked to obtain independence, the United States at once greatly increased the navy, with its demoralizing influences and enormously increased expense, three-fourths of which will be paid by the common people.

We have read during many years past of the heroic contest the Filipinos have waged with their oppressor, Spain. They like to have their oppressor, Spain, their resources and achieved independence, driving the Spanish into the cities and strongholds. Just then Admiral Dewey appeared and brilliantly destroyed the Spanish navy. At this Aguinaldo, commander of the Filipinos, expressed warm thanks. Aguinaldo has been termed the Washington of his country. Our obvious duty then was to extend further aid, if necessary, in crushing the oppressor and leaving the Filipinos to complete their government in whatever form they deemed best and which was none of our business.

Had Lafayette and the French government, after aiding us to expel the British oppressor, demanded naval stations and a protectorate of us, that they might assist Washington, Jefferson, Adams and their countrymen in forming a stable government, which all Europe considered us incompetent to develop, their demands would have been analogous to our demands of the Filipinos.

Fortunately Messrs. Hoar, Edmunds, Boutwell, Schurz, Atkinson and Charles Francis Adams, with hundreds of the wisest and best among our statesmen, have spoken and with such facts, reasonableness and the thoughtful citizens that the tide is turning. It is believed that the moral strength of the nation is utterly opposed to the nefarious projects forced on the President by the unprincipled politicians at Washington and their followers throughout the country. Give the American people time and the excitable crowd is routed; a sure sign of stability and permanence in our form of government.

All the fundamental truths our fathers enunciated as self-evident are suppressed and thrown to the winds as we enter upon imperialism. This is shown in the masterly address of Charles Francis Adams at Lexington on Forefathers' Day. 1. All men are created equal and endowed with certain inalienable rights—life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. 2. That governments derive their just power from the consent of the governed. 3. That we avoid all entangling political alliances with foreign nations. 4. That taxation without representation is tyranny, etc.

These fundamental axioms were unique and contrary to those of any European nation. Each and every one of these principles which have been our boast, it is proposed to ignore and to establish an oligarchy in Hawaii, a protectorate in Cuba and a tyranny in the Philippines.

God save the republic of the United States of America.

NATHANIEL T. ALLEN.
West Newton, Feb. 2.

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THE GREAT STORM.

The record of great storms has been broken again, and the whole country has been blockaded with one of the heaviest snow storms ever known. It extended as far south as the Gulf of Mexico, and the sufferings of people in the southern states, who are not used to zero weather, is said to have been intense. The early fruit and vegetable crops in the south are said to have been ruined, and evidently prunes will be popular for weeks yet, and early vegetables will have to be obtained with a can opener.

In Newton, on Monday, the streets became almost impassable by noon, and drifts were piled up in all directions. Fortunately the telephone wires were in good working order, and the great number of Newton men imprisoned in Boston could relieve the suspense of their families.

As usual in a great snow storm the railroads were tangled up, the Boston & Albany being in no worse condition than any of the other roads out of Boston. It is certainly curious that a foot of snow can so easily knock out a railroad schedule, and possibly the roads do not provide for such emergencies. The many instances of depressed tracks of course give a handy place for drifts to form, and in the cut between Brighton and Faneuil half a dozen trains were stalled by Monday noon, and in the Newton depression the drifts formed so fast that no attempt was made to keep open any except the local tracks.

The Boston Elevated is receiving great praise for its success in keeping open its tracks and running its cars all through the storm, but according to the tales of Newton passengers, it took hours to make the trip to Newton, and the crowds in the subway were a terror to all who tried to get into that refuge. Cars were so few that before they made a stop they were crowded even to the fenders, and only athletic people had any chance of getting a foothold.

In this city, the Newton & Waltham had the best luck in keeping their tracks open, and cars ran on some sort of time through most of the storm. They were the first company to resume their regular running time, with the Lower Falls line a good second. The Newton & Boston line had harder luck than the others in the way of huge drifts, which broke down their plows and compelled shoveling by hand. Cars were disabled and the storm will entail a heavy expense upon them. The line to Newton Centre was opened soon after the storm, but the one to the Highlands and Upper Falls was completely buried up.

The storm served one good purpose, as it gave employment to a great army of shovellers, and men who have been out of work for a large part of the winter were glad of the chance to earn something again. This will relieve somewhat the demands upon the charitable people of Newton, as it is said that there never has been so great need of charitable help, in any previous winter in Newton.

The Hanna shipping subsidy bill is about the most barefaced raid on the treasury that has ever been presented in Congress. There is "big money" in it for certain powerful interests and they have enlisted in its favor the ablest counsel to be found in the United States, the members of the administration, Hanna, and Elkins and other senators who are becoming well known for their desire to secure government aid for their private enterprises. There was no attempt to justify the scheme at the hearings, and the whole thing was planned carefully to fasten on the country a very costly scheme for the benefit of the big shipping interests and to give them a monopoly for a generation. No wonder that Senator Hoar protested that the bill would cost the country more than all the expenses of the Spanish war, and that Congressman Cannon became alarmed over the effect that such schemes as this would have on party success in the future. It would be a great thing of course for Senator Hanna and his friends to secure a mortgage on all the revenues of the country for twenty years and show the result of electing such "business" men as he to the Senate. Fortunately the end of this Congress is so near that it is believed that the scheme will fail, and that the Treasury will not be handed over to these exploiters at this session.

To say that President McKinley's speech at the Home Market Club dinner was disappointing is to put the case very mildly. He is still drifting with Destiny at the helm, and comforts himself with all sorts of high moral sentiments. He cannot say what is to be done with the Philippines, as he trusts Congress, Congress cannot say, as the administration senators announce that they trust the President, and meanwhile the only thing to be done is to be true to our high moral obligations and kill off all the Filipinos who are

fighting for liberty and their right to their own native land. Whatever is, is right and had to be, we could not have treated the Philippines as we did Cuba, although the President carefully avoided that alternative in his remarks, and yet such treatment would have avoided all trouble and we would have been spared this shameful war. The Peace Commissioners seem to have had definite instructions from some one, the treaty senators also had definite instructions, and there was no evidence of a drifting with Destiny and Providence in their actions. It is certainly a curious situation for the United States to find itself in, and evidently the President has no idea how it all came about.

The Boston Herald says of Mrs. Mary H. Hunt's remarkable bill for an amendment of the law to require "scientific" temperance instruction in the public schools, that it is a job pure and simple, in the interest of the publishers of a certain text-book on physiology and hygiene, and the bill is so drawn as to make compulsory its purchase throughout the state. It would cost the state some \$325,000 for new text-books, and would be a very nice thing for the publishers aforesaid, and also for the author of the book. The same charge has been brought against Mrs. Hunt before, and the text-book in which she is interested. It might be added that men entitled to be called authorities on the question of physiology are inclined to ridicule the claims that the book gives any scientific instruction in regard to temperance, but this the friends of Mrs. Hunt claim to be nothing but jealousy, and that even if the statements made are too extreme, they are calculated to do good in frightening children from alcoholic drinks and narcotics. The Herald concludes its article by saying: "This is a job, pure and simple, in which mercenary interest disguises itself in a cloak of a high regard for humanity."

There is a good deal of criticism because in the great storm of Monday the school signal was not sounded. Some blame the superintendent and others blame the mayor, as they recalled that Mayor Cobb took matters in his own hands on such occasions. The children who did venture out had a hard time getting home again, and in the case of small children, the teachers in many cases had to go home with them, to make sure that they reached there safely. High school pupils, who came from any distance, suffered severely in their efforts to get home, and pupils from Lower Falls had to spend the night in the Riverside depot. It seems to be a case where, if neither the mayor nor the superintendent take action, the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children should be called upon.

An interesting story comes from Newfoundland, which is a little worse than anything we have had here. The people there thought they wanted a railroad, so they hired a Scotchman named Reid to build it. When it was built they did not have money enough to operate it, and so they hired Mr. Reid to run it, and he succeeded so well that he now owns both the railroad and half of the island, and bids fair, if he runs the road a year or two more, to own the other half. Evidently Mr. Reid is a great success as a benevolent assimiliator, and if our imperialists had only known of him in time they would not have needed to shoot down so many Filipinos; they could have hired Mr. Reid to go and build some railroads there, and it would have been a more peaceful way of gaining their object.

The view that a foreign critic takes of us is said to be a foretaste of the verdict of history. Hence the comment of the London Times on our whitewash committee's investigation of the war department is interesting. It says: "We are not surprised that the American public greets it with derision. President McKinley's loyalty to Sec. Alger is natural and even commendable; but if the United States is to have able administrators, it is absolutely essential that those at its head shall be above suspicion. If the taint of politics is once fastened upon the new colonial administration, our hopes of its future must be considerably dashed."

The school board have an advertisement in this issue that will interest all who have children in the schools. The complaint has often been made that the lower grades are overburdened with work, and that the fundamentals, such as spelling, arithmetic, grammar and geography, are neglected for the non-essential studies. A committee of seven has been appointed to investigate the matter and report to the full board, and hearings will be given to parents and others who wish to speak on the subject. The first hearing will be held on Wednesday evening, March 1st, at the Bigelow school house, and Newton parents are requested to be present and give their views.

The bicycle season is supposed to open next Wednesday, when all the dealers will have their opening exhibition. The depth of the snow may interfere with the interest, this year, but the great question all wheelmen are discussing is whether it will pay them this year to try a chainless, of which a number of styles of gearing have appeared. Last year, the chainless was too much of an experiment and too high in price to be used by the great majority, but the great reduction in price this year, may make a difference.

ONE would naturally think that if any subject needed a full investigation, it would be the tangled affairs of the gas business in Boston, but the measure to provide for such investigation was voted down without debate in the legislature. Possibly the small attendance may have been responsible for this, but evidently Mr. Whitney has a powerful influence at the state house.

ONE result of the blizzard is that the coal barges could not reach port and consequently there is a scarcity of coal. Dealers are having hard work to fill orders, and the price has gone up a dollar a ton. Milder weather will probably bring in a full supply and the price will get back to the old figures.

HUNNEWELL CLUB NOTES.

CALENDAR.
Saturday, 18th, Gentlemen's Night, entertainment.
Monday, 20th, Bowling, team tournament.
Tuesday, 21st, Ladies' Night, whist.
Wednesday, 22nd, Washington's Birthday, (program below).
Friday, 24th, Bowling, team tournament.

On account of the storm on Monday the bowling matches were postponed.

The members of the club are invited to take part in a bowling match on Wednesday, commencing at 10 a. m., and continuing until 11 p. m. To the one making the highest total of three consecutive strings a ball will be given.

A rehearsal of the minstrels will take place this evening. All members taking part are requested to be present, as important work will be taken up.

On Wednesday evening team 5, (Capt. Loring), won two games out of three from team 4, (Capt. Barker), and team 11, (Capt. Spaulding), beat team 12, (Capt. Buswell), by the same score.

Teams 3, 4, 9 and 10 bowl this evening, and on Monday evening teams 1, 3, 4 and 12 will try issues.

The attention of members is called to the ladies' and gentlemen's whist, which comes on next Tuesday evening. Progressive straight whist will be played, players retaining the same partners throughout the evening. Suitable prizes will be offered and refreshments will be served.

Mr. Alfred B. Copeland of Boston had four pictures on exhibition at the club the last few days, which have been greatly admired by the members and their guests, because of the fact that they have differed so much from what are usually exhibited. The subjects taken by Mr. Copeland are studies of interiors in Antwerp and Paris, and bear critical examination. The drawing of old fashioned furniture, such as chairs, fire-places, chests and drawers, high backs and for serving, as the details of the room construction and ornamentation, are executed with the greatest care and thought. The one showing an interior of Salle Francois Premier at the Chateau de Versailles, is nicely conceived. Two of the others are different views of the same interior, and the fourth picture is an interior of a water house in Antwerp.

A large number were present at the club last Saturday evening, and many guests were also present to meet the winners of the hand-to-morrow evening.

In the third round of the bottle pool tournament, Mr. H. G. Lapham beat Dr. A. B. Jewell, and Mr. E. M. Hallett beat Mr. G. E. Hatch, finishing that round. In the fourth round Mr. L. E. Coffin beat Mr. W. B. H. Hallett, and the winner of the Hallett-Lapham match in the final round.

The drawings for the next billiard, pool and bottle pool tournament will be published next week.

It is planned to have some entertainment features on Washington's Birthday, and club members should arrange to be present.

On invitation of the Riverside Casino Club of Brookline, a team will go over from the Hunnewell Club on next Tuesday evening and meet a team of that club.

A friendly match was rolled on the club alleys last evening, against a team from the Chestnut Hill Club. Some first class work was put up by the members of each team, and some difficult breaks were secured by careful rolling. Mr. Ryder made a record of six strikes in succession, and a new record was made on the alleys in the highest string score. The result is as follows:

CHESTNUT HILL				
Bowler.	1	2	3	Total
Richardson	146	99	99	344
Richardson	124	109	99	332
Kent	155	147	144	446
Rogers	168	150	158	476
Williams	147	150	139	436
Team totals	716	649	621	1986

HUNNEWELL CLUB				
Bowler.	1	2	3	Total
Wellington	108	162	173	443
Ryder	144	226	147	517
Haskell	128	168	169	465
Bailey	139	122	158	419
Loveland	153	161	106	420
Team totals	732	839	744	2315

REAL ESTATE.

The Bay State Realty Company, whose adv. appears on page one submits unusual advertising in many of the cities of New England and publishing a first class Real Estate Journal of 10,000 copies, which they distribute wholly among investors, brokers, and those who want to buy real estate. The company's experience and unlimited acquaintance should merit the patronage of the readers of this paper.

Violets.

Have you seen the Princess of Wales violets grown by Freeman & Fletcher of the Riverside Greenhouses, Auburndale. There is nothing in the way of violets to compare them with, judging from the handsome bunch that was left at the GRAPHIC office, this week. These flowers and others can be obtained by telephoning to the firm, who fill all orders promptly.

DIED.

STEARNS—At Newton, Feb. 17th, of pneumonia, Mrs. Sarah J., widow of the late Daniel Stearns, aged 52 years.
DUANE—At West Newton, Feb. 9, Michael J. Duane, 69 yrs., 4 mos., 11 ds.
CURTIS—At Newton Upper Falls, Feb. 8, William Curtis, 62 yrs., 11 mos., 7 ds.
WEIR—At Newton Hospital, Feb. 10, Margaret, wife of William Weir, 54 yrs.
CORKERY—At Newton Upper Falls, Feb. 10, Callahan Corkery, 82 yrs., 11 mos., 7 ds.
KELLEY—At Auburndale, Feb. 13, Mary, daughter of Thomas and Hannah Kelley, 1 yr., 2 mos., 19 ds.
VAHEY—At Newton, Feb. 16, James Edward, son of Patrick and Mary Vahey, 5 mos., 21 ds.

MARRIED.

HAY—BROWN—At Pittsfield, Mass., Feb. 8, by Rev. I. C. Smart, Daniel Hay of Newton and Jessie Brown of Pittsfield.
MURPHY—SULLIVAN—At Newton, Feb. 14, by Rev. M. Dolan, Michael Murphy of Boston and Elizabeth A. Sullivan of Newton.
SMITH—FRANZER—At Newton Centre, Feb. 13, by Rev. E. M. Noyes, John Douglas Smith and Louisa Franzer.
CLAIR—LYNCH—At Newton Centre, Feb. 14, by Rev. G. H. McDermott, James Bois Clair and Catherine Lynch.

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35 cents a doz.

Also a few more gallon cans of Baldwin apples.

25 cents each.

G. P. ATKINS,

396 Centre Street, NEWTON.

ON THE OPEN TRAIL.

This paltry earth and the low hung sky,
Like a little tent around it,
Too cramped I find to feel at home,
Too cramped I always found it.

Since I was ever a vagabond,
A vagrant-foot and a rover,
Oh, give me the width of the skies to roam
When my earthly days are over!

Let me out where worlds the milestones are,
Where the unresting stars walk my way—
Out, out, where a man has elbow room
To travel his old time highway!

And when the journey is done God grant
That one lone inn I find me
Where I may enter and greet but her
And close the door behind me!
—Arthur J. Stringer in *Almslee's Magazine*.

A LAKE PILOT'S LEG.

How It Solved the Mystery of the Wreck of a Steam Propeller.

"We are never amazed when vessels go aground and are wrecked on Lake Erie during the gales that are common on that treacherous water, for we expect such things then," said a lake skipper, "but when one is grounded on a clear day and wrecked on a course as clear as the day in the hands of a pilot that knows the ground like a book we naturally wonder a little and want to know the whys and wherefores. Such was the case of the propeller Susan E. Peck that went aground near Bar point and was lost with a \$20,000 cargo.

"The captain of the Susan E. had sailed successfully hundreds of times between Point Pelee and Bar point and in all kinds of weather, and this time he had a wheelman who was known from one end of the lake to the other as one of the most expert navigators in the lake business. He had been lying up a long time, for the very good reason that owing to an accident to one of his legs that leg had to be amputated to save his life. The lost member was replaced by an artificial leg, and then the pilot was ready to take his post at the wheel again. His first service after his misfortune was this trip of the Susan E. Peck, and he ran her aground.

"The puzzle to everybody was how it was possible for the propeller, handled by a man of such skill and experience, on a straight course only 40 miles long and with every sailing condition favorable, to leave her course. The pilot was the most puzzled and astounded person of all. He soon got another vessel, and this one he ran in such an erratic manner, but fortunately with no disastrous result, that he was compelled to give her up, and his usefulness as a pilot was gone. He and others went to investigating to see if they could discover what was wrong with his seamanship.

"After awhile they discovered what they believed was the trouble. In the pilot's artificial leg a great deal of steel had been used in the joints and other places. Sitting close to the binnacle, as he did while steering, this steel damaged the compass so that it threw the wheelman way off his reckoning and led to the wrong piloting that had wrecked the Susan E. Peck and endangered the other vessel that the wheelman navigated subsequently. This was what they argued, and to demonstrate the correctness of the theory the pilot took charge of a vessel without wearing his false leg. Everything worked to a charm. The mystery of the Susan E. Peck was solved, and the pilot was restored to his old place in the confidence of Lake Erie skippers and vessel owners."—New York Sun.

South America's Suicide Wind.

In Brazil and other parts of South America the natives know and fear a certain condition of the air which they call "suicide wind."

It is not a superstition, but an actual condition of the atmosphere which seems to drive the people to madness, and during its continuance self-inflicted deaths are numerous.

Criminologists and scientists all over the world are interested in this peculiar atmospheric influence, which is indicated by a soft, moist, warm air that settles heavily on the earth.

The climatic condition known as the "suicide wind" is greatly dreaded in that part of the country.

Statistics prove that suicides and other crimes occur together or in waves as they are described.

The Moral Is Plain.

"Once upon a time," says the Houtzdale (Pa.) Journal, "a man got mad at the editor and stopped the paper. In a few weeks he sold his corn at 4 cents less than the market price. Then his property was sold for taxes because he didn't read the sheriff's sale. He paid \$10 for a lot of forged notes that had been advertised two weeks and the public warned against them. He then rushed to the printing office and paid several years' subscription in advance and had the editor sign an agreement that he was to knock him down if he ordered his paper to be stopped again."

Wanted a Chance.

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Estate of Seneca Sanford late of Newton in the County of Middlesex deceased, intestate, represented insolvent.
The Probate Court for said County will receive and examine all claims of creditors against the estate of said Seneca Sanford and notice is hereby given that six months from the twenty-fourth day of January A. D. 1899 are allowed to creditors to present and prove their claims against said estate, and that the Court will sit to examine the claims of creditors at Cambridge on the thirteenth day of July A. D. 1899, at nine o'clock in the forenoon.
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NEWTONVILLE.

—Mrs. G. B. Cook of Walnut terrace is reported as seriously ill.

—Special bargains at Sullivan's this week and next, the 20th anniversary.

—Mr. H. M. French of Newtonville avenue is reported as seriously ill.

—Miss Lillie M. Packard of Lasell Seminary was the guest of Mrs. W. A. Clark, Wednesday.

—Mr. J. F. Seully, formerly of Lowell avenue, has removed to Oxford road, Newton Centre.

—"The Mikado," postponed last Monday on account of the storm, will be given next Monday evening.

—The last regular meeting of the Odd Ladies was held Tuesday afternoon, Feb. 14th, in Dennison hall.

—Miss Tuttle of New Hampshire is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Tuttle at their home on Harvard street.

—Miss Mary J. Wellington of the High School corps of instructors is seriously ill at her home in this place.

—Mr. P. C. Bridgman was the winner in the raffle for the brass bedstead, which was donated to the Newton Masonic Fair.

—The pulpit of the Congregationalist church was occupied on Sunday morning last by Rev. D. M. Pratt of Auburndale.

—Mr. and Mrs. Marshall W. French and their granddaughter, Miss Alice French, will remain in California for several months.

—Mr. H. A. Patterson, who is erecting several houses at Dublin, N. H., is enjoying a week's rest at his home on Newtonville avenue.

—It is reported that Mr. Alexander H. Ramsay has accepted a position as chief electrician at the Southern Terminal Station, Boston.

—The boys' club will give a dance in Odd Fellows' hall, West Newton, Tuesday evening. Music will be furnished by Atwood's orchestra.

—Miss Ella Robson of Crafts street was surprised on Saturday last by a party of her little friends, on the occasion of her eighth birthday.

—The regular meeting of Boynton Lodge, 20, U. O. I. O. L., held in Dennison Hall, Tuesday afternoon, two candidates for members were initiated.

—The Newton Royal Arch Chapter will hold a meeting Tuesday evening. The mark degree will be worked on several candidates. A collation will be served.

—The Tennyson Whist Club will meet Monday evening at the home of Miss Lillian Anderson on Austin street. Owing to the storm the club did not meet last Monday.

—Although the ground was well covered with snow last week, yet, grains of Sands the size of a kid, were blown from Merrill (3) through Bowers street trying to blind a few.

—Past Grand E. W. Masters and Vice Grand W. J. McClellan of Waban Lodge attended the funeral of Brother George O. Jacobs of Waban Lodge of Maplewood, Thursday afternoon.

—Waban Lodge held their regular meeting last evening in Dennison hall. A full dress rehearsal of the first degree staff was held prior to working the degree on members of the Nonantum and Home Lodges.

—At 7.30 a public meeting was held in the Methodist church on Sunday evening last, in the interest of foreign missions. An address was delivered by Mr. O. H. Lawrence of the Dutch Reformed church.

—Mr. William H. Baker has purchased the estate of A. J. Mundy, Mill street. The house will be extensively remodelled and will be occupied by Mr. Baker as a residence. The broker was Mr. H. A. Bonbard.

—The Norumbega Tribe of Red Men held their second picnic dance in Dennison hall, Wednesday evening, under the direction of Messrs. Lewis Barney, W. S. Cunningham, R. C. Marsh and J. W. Cook. About forty couples were present.

—Through the agency of Mr. H. A. Bonbard, Mr. J. F. Currier has exchanged his house, No. 14, Newtonville avenue, with one owned by Mr. J. M. Case on the same street. Mr. Currier and family are now occupying their new house.

—A hurdy gurdy party will be given Tuesday evening, March 14, in Temple hall, under the direction of Mrs. J. L. Atwood. A good time is anticipated by Newtonville people, who have requested Mrs. Atwood to give another of her enjoyable evenings.

—Mr. W. O. Tuttle of Harvard street has returned from a fishing trip in New Hampshire. He brought home about two hundred pounds of freshly caught members of the finny tribe. The good qualities of the fish have been vouched for by some of Mr. Tuttle's friends.

—At G. A. R. hall last Tuesday evening members of Charles Ward Post 62 held a camp fire reception and banquet. Comrades and ladies were present and the associate members were the special guests. The evening was most agreeably spent with songs and speeches, followed by a banquet. Alderman Frank L. Nagle was toastmaster.

—The union meeting of the young people's societies of Newtonville was held at the Methodist vestry on Sunday evening last, at six o'clock. An address was delivered by Rev. Geo. H. Spencer of Newton Centre. The general subject of the meeting was "Christian Organization, the mutual dependence of the organization and the individual."

—Another success of the season was the dance given last Tuesday evening at Dennison hall, under the management of Messrs. George Sibley and Charles H. Draper, with Mrs. Charles F. Avery and Mrs. H. A. Pope acting as matrons. The dance was largely attended by young people from the Newtons, Brookline, Cambridge and Boston.

—Mrs. Charles Huntington entertained a number of friends at whist at her home on Washington terrace, Tuesday evening. Miss Lyons, who presided at the whist, the gentlemen who were unable to attend, received first gentleman's prize; Mrs. Kingsbury, first ladies' prize, and Miss Mary McDonald received the consolation prize.

—At the Methodist Episcopal church next Sunday evening at 7.30, there will be a service of special interest to all. Rev. Dr. George F. Eaton, presiding elder of Boston, North District, will preach a patriotic sermon. This is an opportunity to hear this eloquent and gifted preacher, of which many will be glad to avail themselves. All seats free. Special music. Everybody invited. Sunday morning at 10.45 the pastor, Rev. Franklin Hamilton, will preach. All strangers especially are cordially invited.

—Since the advent of the heavy fall of snow that began last Sunday, the only street that has been at all passable for heavy teams is Walnut street. The Newton & Boston company have cleaned out the snow four feet each side of their track and the smooth surface left by the electric plows has given the opportunity for heavy teaming that would not have been possible were there no tracks in the street. The sidewalks along both sides of this thoroughfare are very wide. In removing the snow from the walks it has been piled in high ridges on each side of the street, which should be removed by the city teams, as the Newton & Boston railway have taken out all the snow that came from their tracks. With a little patience and forbearance on the part of teamsters and the motorists it has been very easy under the

conditions that have prevailed to get along comfortably.

—Mr. and Mrs. A. Fred Brown have returned from Montreal.

—Leland T. Powers, at Lasell, tomorrow evening. See adv.

—The Rev. Merritt H. Wellman will preach Sunday at St. John's Episcopal church, in Temple hall, at 10.45 and 4 p. m. Music as usual by the full vested choir. The 4 o'clock service consists of evening prayer, short sermon, and anthems by the choir.

—Services in memory of Miss Grace S. Rice occurred at her late residence on Chauncy street, Cambridge, Wednesday, Feb. 8th. Later, at three o'clock, a service under the charge of the Cantabrigia Club was held in Mt. Auburn chapel. Rev. Samuel Crothers officiated at both, and at the chapel Mrs. Eleanor Fox Allen sang "One Sweetly Solemn Thought." Mr. Crothers read a poem by J. W. Chadwick, beginning, "It singeth low in every heart, We hear it, each and all." The Cambridge Chronicle of Feb. 11th contains a beautiful memorial notice.

WEST NEWTON.

—Leland T. Powers, at Lasell, tomorrow evening. See adv.

—Patrolman N. F. Bosworth is ill at his home on Cross street.

—Miss Alice Rowe of Shaw street is visiting in Burlington, N. J.

—Mrs. John T. Prince of Temple street is entertaining friends this week.

—Mr. Fred Warren of Chestnut street is in New York state on a business trip.

—The History class will meet Wednesday forenoon, with Mrs. Walton's, Chestnut street.

—Mr. and Mrs. George Cook of Waltham street have returned from a trip to New York.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. R. King of Lenox street are in Aiken, S. C., for a month's sojourn.

—Mr. Frank Priest, a clerk in the employ of H. E. Woodberry, is ill at his home on Derby street.

—"The Mikado," postponed last Monday on account of the storm, will be given next Monday evening.

—Mr. Charles Thurston of Montana is the guest of his mother, at her home on Fountain street.

—The Woman's Guild met Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, in the Congregational church parlors.

—Mr. and Mrs. William E. Elder of Winthrop street, entertained friends at whist last Tuesday evening.

—The class in Current Events will meet this afternoon at the home of Mrs. E. N. L. Walton, Chestnut street.

—Mr. William Tobbeles entertained a company of friends at his home on Washington street, Tuesday evening.

—Mr. Harry L. Kimball of Crescent street has been appointed a local centurion of the Century Road Club of America.

—Mr. George A. Walton has returned from Grand Isle, Vt., where he gave a lecture before the Teachers' Institute.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Alley entertained a number of friends at whist at their home on Prince street, Tuesday evening.

—Mr. W. E. Sheldon is reported as seriously ill with rheumatic fever at his home, corner of Highland and Hunter streets.

—Mrs. T. A. Fine of Winthrop street, leaves tomorrow for Philadelphia, where she expects to remain about two weeks.

—The Palsifer cottage on Islington street, Auburndale, has been leased by Patrolman Haynes, who will move there, March 1st.

—Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Burrage entertained a number of friends at whist at their home on Sterling street, Tuesday evening.

—Last Tuesday evening at their home on Hillside terrace, Mr. and Mrs. George Eddy gave a reception to a large number of their friends.

—The W. C. T. U. will hold an Evangelistic meeting, Tuesday afternoon, at three o'clock, in the parlors of the Baptist church.

—The Ladies Mission Circle connected with the Baptist church, will hold an all day sewing circle at the church parlors, Wednesday.

—Mr. Harold W. Burdon was a member of the committee of arrangements at the annual meeting of Amherst College, last Friday evening.

—The West Newton Women's Alliance will hold an "open meeting" Thursday afternoon in the Unitarian church parlors. A paper will be presented by Miss Harriet Tolman.

—A devotional meeting will be held this evening at the Congregational church. The topic will be "Does taking Christ's Yoke and Learning of Him, bring you any rest, or is it a burden?"

—Lieut. John Ryan of police headquarters "remembered the Maine" last Wednesday by placing the American flag at half-mast in the pole in front of his residence on Auburndale avenue.

—A sociable will be held in the parlors of the Unitarian church this evening. The one act farce "Box and Cox" will be presented, and a thoroughly enjoyable evening is anticipated. Refreshments will be served.

—The Woman's Foreign Missionary meeting was held Wednesday afternoon in the parlors of the Congregational church. An interesting address was delivered by Mrs. Joseph Cook on "A Woman's Club of World Wide Interest."

—The case of Horatio N. Hyde, ex-supervisor of the water works, who was charged with embezzling the city's money, came up before the grand jury yesterday. Whether or not he will be indicted will not be known until the list of bills is returned by the grand jury next week.

—The executive board of the Newton Women's Suffrage League held a business meeting Wednesday forenoon. Arrangements were made for a public meeting to be held in March at the residence of Mrs. John Carter, Highland avenue. Questions of political and national interest will be discussed.

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—The funeral of Mr. Michael J. Duane, who died Thursday morning of last week at his home on River street, took place last Saturday morning at 9 o'clock from St. Bernard's church. Delegates from the Triton council, R. A., and St. Bernard's court, M. C. O. F., of which the deceased was a member, attended. Solemn high mass of requiem was celebrated by the Rev. Fr. L. J. O'Toole, assisted by the Rev. Fr. Coady, deacon, and the Rev. Fr. Galligan, sub-deacon. At the close of the service the remains were removed to Calvary cemetery, Waltham, for interment.

—The next regular meeting of the Newton Ladies Home Circle will be held in the Unitarian church parlors on Wednesday, Feb. 22, at 2 p. m.

—On Wednesday evening, Feb. 23d, John Elliot Lodge, A. O. U. W., will hold a musical and literary entertainment and dance at Odd Fellows' hall.

—The Young Men's Debating Club met at the Baptist church last evening. The question discussed was: Resolved, "That Department Stores are a Help to the Community."

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—Mr. Robert Seeton and son, Mr. Chas. Seeton, who have been visiting at Mrs. Seeton of Dunstan street, left Wednesday for Lowell. In the spring they will return to Honduras, South America.

—Miss Minnie Sheldon of Highland street, who recently returned from Adabaz, Turkey, addressed the members of the Junior Ensign society last evening. The question discussed was: Resolved, "That Department Stores are a Help to the Community."

—The Lafayette Associates have elected the following officers for the ensuing year: W. J. O'Neil, pres.; Arthur T. Melody, vice pres.; Andrew Prior, treas.; Thomas Edwards, financial sec'y; P. J. Carroll, recording sec'y; Eugene F. Brown, chaplain.

—Mr. Arthur J. Luke has bought a lot of land, corner of Prince street and Bristol road, containing about 35,000 square feet. It adjoins the Sleeper lot on Chestnut street, which was purchased by Mr. Luke some months ago.

—There are letters in the postoffice for N. W. Bennett, Malcolm McDonald, Mr. M. Bergin, Miss Sadie Perley, Miss Katie Coughlan, Miss Alice Rosaback, Mr. M. E. Carter, Jr., Mr. Frank Smith, Mrs. Rose Heath, M. Lingi Timathers.

—A subscription whist will be held Thursday evening at the clubhouse, Newtonville, for the benefit of the Newton Home Circle. It is hoped that a large party will be present. This society deserves much credit for its readiness to extend assistance wherever needed, and for its many kindly deeds.

—The Ladies Missionary Society held its monthly meeting Thursday afternoon, at the home of Mrs. Waters Webster park. An address was given by Miss Carr, a missionary at Sandaway, Burma. She gave an interesting account of her work at Sandaway, and of the life and customs of the natives.

—A number of the Newton Veteran Firemen's Association called on Mr. George A. Sherman, Thursday evening, at his home in Newton Highlands. The occasion was the 60th birthday anniversary of Mr. Sherman. A large number of friends and relatives were present to extend their congratulations and best wishes.

—An article in the Sunday Post of Feb. 12th, by Mr. Charles A. Hathaway of this place, has occasioned much comment. Mr. Hathaway is said to have devoted much time to the study of the formation of the earth, and gives the results of his research in the opinion that the earth is flat. He states his reasons for such decision at considerable length.

—The funeral services of Mrs. Mary L. Colligan were held at her late residence on Webster park, Saturday, at 2 o'clock. The Rev. J. C. Jaynes officiated. The flowers were many and beautiful, and the service was held by her many friends. The remains were placed in a receiving tomb at Newton cemetery, and will later be interred in the family lot at Wellesley cemetery.

—The West Newton Women's Educational Club will meet Friday afternoon, in the Unitarian church parlors. The program is in charge of the literary committee. A paper will be presented by Mrs. Freeland O. Stanley of Newton on "Shelley." Selections from his works will be read. A paper on "Byron" will also be read with selections from his writings. Music will be under the direction of Miss Elizabeth Cheney.

—A large number of friends and acquaintances of Mr. James F. Ellis gave him a surprise at his new home on Cherry street, Thursday evening, Feb. 9, arriving in baggage sleighs about 8 o'clock. The extreme weather did not materially interfere and the friends took possession of the house, and presented "James" with several costly gifts, and an evening of rare pleasure was enjoyed. An elaborate banquet was served in the spacious dining-hall, after which music and post prandial exercises were enjoyed until a late hour, when the merry jingle of sleigh bells led us out that we had homes of our own, and wishing our genial host good night, departed with pleasant memories of our visit.

—Congress will do well to "go slow" in respect to subsidies, canal grants, public building appropriations, salary increases, and to scrutinize with a watchful eye Pacific cable schemes and some other proposals which, however desirable, are full of extraneous possibilities that must be reduced to a minimum on peril of that willful waste which, in the affairs of nations as of individuals, makes woe of want. True economy does not consist in not doing it, but in niggardliness in respect to expenditures which are just and useful.—Boston Advertiser.

—"Tell me honestly," said the novel reader to the novel writer, "Did you ever see a woman who stood and looked at the floor intently with her toe for several moments, as you describe?"

"Yes," was the thoughtful reply: "I did once."

"Who was she?"

"She was a clog dancer."—Tit-Bits.

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—Dr. W. D. Hall, Central street, has recently fitted his office with a new gas apparatus. Dr. Hall is now prepared to administer any anesthetic necessary in dental operations.

—John J. Connolly of Weston was arrested Wednesday afternoon by Chief of Police Tarbox and Patrolman John Quilty, charged with setting fire to Mr. Bancroft C. Davis' barn at Weston, Jan. 31. The warrant was issued by the Waltham court and the case will come under its jurisdiction. At police headquarters Wednesday, Connolly confessed to having set the fire of last January, and one year previous, when Mr. Davis' barn was destroyed. Connolly lives with his parents on Charles street, this place, and is about 22 years old.

Lasell Notes.

A new and interesting feature of the Wednesday morning chapel hour is the instruction of the students, by Dr. Gallagher, in the ordinary rules of parliamentary procedure. This is of very evident practical value to all members of the societies, and is well worth the time devoted to it, even in case of those not yet club members.

The cooking classes this week have had lessons in the preparation of breakfast foods, brown bread, corn bread, rice pudding, and Indian pudding. Miss Barrows makes these lessons delightful as well as profitable to the young women whom she instructs in this most important art.

The classes in millinery and dressmaking have begun work, and are now well started in these two branches.

There were two parties to the opera during the last few days of its continuance; one to Carmen, and one to the Barber of Seville. The students of the French department, senior class, attended the Friday evening performance of Cyrano de Bergerac, at the Hollis.

On Sunday morning Miss Mary E. Lunn, a deaconess of the Boston Deaconess' Home, addressed the school upon the work done by this organization, giving in the course of the talk various amusing, pathetic, or otherwise interesting incidents connected with this work.

The weather on Sunday forbidding church going, Dr. Gallagher preached in the chapel in the morning.

The students attending the usual Tuesday evening prayer meeting, this week were pleased to have the services conducted by the Rev. John Matteson, rector of the P. E. church of the village, the Church of the Messiah.

The annual midwinter re-union of the former pupils and teachers of the seminary now resident in New England, took place in Boston, on Wednesday afternoon, at the Hotel Brunswick. There were present between fifty and sixty, including a number of members of the faculty of both present and former times. Dr. and Mrs. Gallagher and Miss Caroline A. Carpenter received the guests. Mrs. Nellie Ferguson Conant, president of the Alumnae Association at Lasell, presided as mistress of ceremonies; while, among others, Miss Martha B. Lucas and Miss Nellie Richards aided very materially to make the re-union the pleasant success it was. At one o'clock a very delicious luncheon was served in the Brunswick's best style, after which Dr. Gallagher, the efficient and genial assistant of the principal, made a short but pithy speech appropriate to the occasion, and read the letter of greeting sent by Principal Bragdon, now in California with his family. A very entertaining musical program followed, Mrs. Morrill and Miss Bessie Cooke rendering several fine solos, and Mrs. Ernest G. Dumont accompanying them upon the piano. The affair was an unusually pleasant one, though the enforced absence of Mr. Bragdon was much regretted.

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Which Was the Bravest?

By WILLIAM HENRY SHELTON.

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The affairs of the small village of Round Hill had been administered for almost a generation by its three most illustrious citizens.

Four times a year the school children came together on the steps of the church to see the colonel, the major and the captain ride solemnly out of town on their long tailed horses, with their pension vouchers buttoned securely under their medals over their scars, and then the boys, fired by military ardor, commonly ran in a body to the little red cannon house at the end of the village street, where they jostled and shouldered each other at the keyhole and caught such glimpses as they could of the grim old Union gun in the shadowy interior. It was all that had been left of the captain's battery, and everybody knew how the captain had stuck by that gun. After the war was over the people at Washington had given him the gun for his own. The captain carried the key in his pocket, and on holidays, if the boys had been good, he unlocked the doors and took them in to see his pet.

Everybody knew that the colonel had lost his leg at Chancellorsville, that the major's eye had been shot out at Cedar Mountain and that the captain had worn an empty sleeve since the battle of Gettysburg.

The three had gone away in the same company, of which the colonel was captain, and they had come back horsed combat at various times during the progress of the war, just as Providence and the disabling wound had decreed.

Major Peck, who had been the first to return, had taken his father's place as landlord of the village tavern, which was a temperance house, hung up his sword in the office and turned his mysterious glass eye on the traveling public, which was a very small public indeed.

Next in turn came Colonel Rose, on his crutches just in time to limp into the vacant postoffice, where, under president after president, he had sorted the letters, and nobody had dreamed of turning him out.

Captain Bissell, who had come last, had been promptly made sexton of the little Episcopal church where the colonel read the sermon every Sunday morning and had been promoted at once to the equally honorable duty of reading the prayers.

Three more gentle, simple minded, easy going citizens than the colonel, the major and the captain were not to be found in all the town. They were modestly conscious that they had only done their duty, and the major, who was by nature a timid man, concealed in his breast a profound secret which was known only to the colonel.

Nothing, however, in the minds of the villagers any more than in the minds of the boys could divest the three crippled soldiers of the smell of powder and the din of battle. From the first they had been regarded as heroes of extraordinary courage, and like sensible men they accepted the honors and the offices which everybody said they had earned.

Soon after the colonel came into the postoffice he had been elected by an overwhelming majority to be supervisor of the township, and the major naturally came to be perpetual justice of the peace, because the long ballroom in the tavern was the only suitable place in the town to hold court. Then as the two positions held by the captain were without pay or perquisites of any kind the voice of the villagers as one man, woman and child demanded that he should teach the village school, and a well disciplined school it was, where no winter boy ever rose in his might to try conclusions with the master.

All these events followed each other in the most natural way at Round Hill, and then came the liberal pensions, together with periodical allowances for a leg, an arm and an eye, and the money flowed into the circulation of the village, and the three officers were more firmly in the saddle than ever, so that when the captain rang the church bell at 9 o'clock in the evening it had all the military authority of tattoo, and the lights soon faded out of the chamber windows as if the town had been under martial law. The people dreamed and snored and slept as securely in their beds as if the colonel had been sitting on his horse all night at one end of the street and the major at the other, with the captain standing at the trail of his gun in the starlight down by the cannon house. Round Hill was such a military town that the people never shook hands. They stood at attention and saluted each other just as the captain saluted the colonel. When they turned about, they always turned to the right, like the major, by putting the right foot behind the left and coming round on their heels.

The colonel, the major and the captain had it all their own way and were loved and respected and obeyed until they grew old and died and were buried in the side hill churchyard. The colonel had the right of the line, and the three were dressed on each other and faced to the front ready for the last roll call, and now that they were gone the people were prouder than ever of their record. They had been such heroes, each in his own way, that no one could say which had been the bravest.

A few of the older men in the village remembered when the three officers had been boys in the Round Hill school together and how they had hunted for pennies under the tavern steps in their time and swung on the boot of the four horse stage and laughed out loud in school at the sound of the driver's horn and how they had fought their small battles, never dreaming that when they grew up they should take part in the great battles of a great war.

In those days Gib Peck was a studious, quiet, bashful boy, Ed Rose was generous and reckless to a fault, and if little Dan Bissell sometimes failed in

his task it was because he neglected his duty to do something else which for the moment interested him more.

A few years later, when the war broke out, Ed was all excitement and fight, and promptly began raising a company, and Dan was with him, riding over the county enlisting men. While all this was going on Gilbert Peck stopped at home and wondered if he were ever intended for a soldier. He doubted if he were, but he could have no doubt about his duty to his country, and so in the end he joined Ed's company in time to be made second lieutenant. Before their first battle Lieutenant Bissell had been transferred into the artillery and Lieutenant Peck was promoted next in rank to the captain.

So the regiment came up to Cedar Mountain along the dusty roads and across the fields of blackberries, under the hot sun. All day it lay in reserve, and the men listened to the grind, grind, of the musketry at the foot of the mountain. When night came, they heard the first shells howl over their heads and saw the burning fuses like shooting stars blazing across the sky and the guns of the infantry sparkling like fireflies in the fields. Then when the regiment was ordered to charge Lieutenant Peck knew for the first time that he lacked the nerve to carry him up the hill into the smoke of the battery, which thundered and blazed and lighted the constables with every discharge. He thought of the people at Round Hill and he thought of his duty, and the disgrace of stopping behind seemed more dreadful than death in the cornfield, and all the time he knew his cowardly legs would refuse to do their work. He knew that they were getting ready to serve him a scurvy trick in the midst of the charge. He felt cold chills in his hair and a cold sweat on his body, but he was determined to do his duty.

In his misery he called the captain and begged him to detail two sergeants to carry him in, if necessary, and the sergeants rushed him along so fast in the glare and roar and excitement that he was the first officer to arrive in the battery, blinded and unconscious from loss of blood, and actually received the Confederate captain's sword in his nerveless hand. It was believed by all but three men in the regiment that Lieutenant Peck had been wounded at the start, and he left for home the next day in a blaze of glory, a hero and a major by brevet.

After the departure of the major Captain Ross resigned his commission in the infantry to join the cavalry. The dash and excitement of the mounted service were more in his way. He had no taste for plodding along on foot and going into battle behind a line of muskets. He rose rapidly in rank. In less than a year he was lieutenant colonel and at the battle of Chancellorsville he was in command of his regiment, which moved out in columns of fours on the plank road until it was ordered to halt. The thick woods closed in on the right and left, and the smoke of the skirmishers drifted out of the thicket and lay like a thin blue fog across the open fields in front. The bullets from the enemy beyond hissed overhead, and now and then brought down a man or a horse. The lieutenant colonel in command was eager and impatient, but he sat still in the hot sun, waiting orders. Stragglers and wounded men came drifting back in twos and threes on the road. The bullets came thicker and hotter through the leaves of the trees. Then the infantry came in crowds falling back through the thicket. He could hear the yell of the enemy in front. He could stand the strain no longer. He turned sharply in his saddle and ordered the bugles to blow "Forward!"

Down the road went the regiment at a trot, the caissons and carriages rattling and jingling above the clatter of the horses' hoofs on the planks, and the lieutenant colonel rode at the head of the column. Nobody heard the hissing bullets. When they were in the open past the flanking woods, the regiment deployed into line at the command of the bugles, galloping to right and left. A moment they halted to dress on the

center. There were flashes of fire through the smoke just as if the smoke had been darkness, and where it drifted aside gray figures of men could be seen. Then at a blast of the bugles the regiment swept down the field at a charge, the sabers gleaming in the sunlight above the dark line of horses, into the smoke, riding down all opposition in the sulphurous fog. The advance of the enemy was checked. Valuable time was gained, but the lieutenant colonel was severely wounded. He kept his horse and his presence of mind and brought his regiment—what remained of it—back through the woods. He was mentioned in general orders as Brevet Colonel Rose. But it was the colonel's last battle.

On the day when the general order reached Lieutenant Bissell he was battery officer. He read the order to his men at evening parade, and they gave three ringing cheers for the colonel. In June he heard that the colonel was back at Round Hill with the major. In July he was at Gettysburg himself, and in the absence of his captain he was in command of the battery. After he had

once fought his way through the fields past the old brick seminary building, in full view of the roofs of the village, down among the orchards, it was hard luck to be driven back from hill to hill over the lost ground. He was angry when he fell back to his last position on the crest of the ridge in the standing wheat. He ordered up fresh lineborders from the caissons with full chests and sent the empty ones to the rear. Down in the field in front a great farm barn was burning under billows of black smoke, and on the hill beyond the opposing battery was shooting red flames through white clouds, and after every puff he heard the howling shell overhead. He walked impatiently back and forth in the tangled wheat and watched the work of his own guns, always listening to see which ear the coming shell sounded loudest in and walking a little the other way to give it plenty of room. Presently he saw a section of the enemy's battery changing position, and the men saw it, too, with a howl of delight, and then for five long minutes the two batteries blazed at each other, and it was desperate business for Lieutenant Bissell to stand idly in the wheat, even if he did see one of the enemy's guns disabled.

He cheered him to know that he was gaining the advantage, but he longed for some work for his hands to do. Everything was working like a charm in his battery. As he walked over to the right gun he envied the numbers serving the piece, and just at that moment number one fell back with a cry. Lieutenant Bissell caught up the rammer and took his place at the muzzle of the gun. Now instead of dragging time flew. His hands and arms were soon blackened with powder. He had something to do now. It made him wild with delight to see the distress he was causing on the other hill. A few more rounds would do their work. He threw off his coat. His hat fell in the wheat. He had no time to pick it up. The sweat ran down his face as he sponged and rammed and sprang back outside the wheel while the gun was fired. The white smoke rolled over the battery. The toiling men were lost to view in it. The wheat stalks were burned to the roots in front of the guns, and the roots were torn out of the soil, and still the guns thundered and blazed, and the ring of fire crept farther and blacker on to the yellow grain. The heat was maddening. He dipped his hand into the black sponge bucket and dashed the dirty water on his forehead and sprang in to reload.

There was a cry of rage on the left. There were bullets in the air. Crowds of the enemy were surging through the smoke. He struck down one man with the sponge staff. The gunner knocked down another with the trail hand spike. All was confusion. He felt a stinging sensation in his arm and then a faintness. He was almost trampled on by the rushing horses sweeping around with the limber. Some of the men lifted him on to the chest and held him there. He remembered the galloping horses and the shouting drivers as they plunged through the wheat, dragging away the hot old gun, the same gun that has been cooling for long years in the little red cannon house at the end of the Round Hill street. Lieutenant Bissell was breveted captain for gallantry and went back with an empty sleeve to ring the bell and read prayers in the Round Hill church.

And now who can say which showed the highest courage—the colonel, the major or the captain?

—THE END.

Stamp Dealing.

The methods of dealing in stamps have changed very greatly as compared with former years. In the old days a leading stamp dealer would when a new issue came out order from a postoffice in the country making the issue several thousands of the stamps of the lowest denomination and maybe a dozen complete sets. Nowadays he orders 500 complete sets to 100 single specimens of the lowest value. The reason for this is that the old schoolboy trade, on which the dealer once depended for his living, has largely given place to the grown up trade. Customers now can buy complete sets where the schoolboy could buy only a single specimen. The boy trade hasn't disappeared, but the principal dealers don't get so much of it. It goes to the small dealers and to collectors, who themselves have turned dealers in order to dispose of their duplicates.

The greatest general stamp dealing firm in the world is in London. The firm deals in all sorts of stamps, from the commonest to the rarest, and has repeatedly bought collections entire for which thousands of pounds have been paid, the collections being afterward broken up and sold piecemeal.—New York Sun.

Dress to Look Slender.

The fashionable woman now dresses herself to look slender. If nature has so formed her that this is an impossibility, every article of her attire is then fashioned to make her at least as slender as possible. Her skirts are cut in sheath-like outlines, her sleeves are small and closely fitted, her waists are lined, and all elaborate trimming is applied after the bodice has been closely and carefully fitted and boned. The blouse effect still remains, but only on the front of the waist, the back in nearly every instance being tight and seamless. The round waist in numberless charming effects remains one of the prevailing styles, but the bodice with small points slightly rounded is quite as fashionable and is very generally chosen by those who wish to look slender and long waisted.—New York Post.

Not Inconsistent.

"I'm afraid of you," said Miss Kitchin to Mr. Callow saucily. "That's swag," replied Mr. Callow. "A few minutes ago you—aw—said that you were afraid of nothing, doncher know?" "Well, what of that?"—Detroit Free Press.

SHIPS SAVED AT SEA.

WHAT IS MEANT BY "SALVAGE" AND HOW IT IS PAID.

There is no law that signals of distress at sea must be heeded—Public Opinion Alone Enforces Responses to Calls For Help.

Salvage on ships saved at sea by others in the majority of cases is paid by the underwriters, although the big steamship companies insure themselves. The insurance companies think that a board of arbitration can more satisfactorily adjust salvage claims than can the courts. The word salvage, as defined by that celebrated admiralty authority, Roscoe, is "the reward which is earned by those who have voluntarily saved or assisted in saving a ship or boat or their apparel or any sort thereof or the lives of persons at sea or a ship, cargo or any part thereof, from peril or a wreck from total loss." The last part of the definition is a trifle puzzling.

In discussing the merits of salvage cases it must be remembered that there is no obligation, written or implied, upon the master or crew of any vessel to heed signals of distress. Public opinion alone enforces the idea that "a call for help at sea must be obeyed." The laws of salvage are merely framed to encourage the saving of life and property on the deep. There is avarice in the manner as in landmen, and the laws are made to overcome and curb these mercenary ambitions. For that reason a master and his crew cannot expect salvage for saving their own vessel. It is the natural assumption in law, as well as in fact, that they must do everything they can to preserve their charge and under an agreement with the owners keep it from danger whenever possible.

In salvage one of the first laws is that the peril must be actual. The bargain made in time of danger by the master or agent of the imperiled craft with another volunteering aid need not of necessity hold in court, and generally does not. As a rule the bargain is exorbitant and made at a time when the victim would be willing to guarantee the payment of millions for proffered assistance. This point has been decided hundreds of times, the courts taking the stand that the peril made an exorbitant bargain necessary.

As a general thing, the salvage award is equal to about one-third the value in the case of sailing craft and from one-third to one-half in the case of steamers. The owners of the salvaging craft, whose money was wasted by delay, wear and tear, are of course entitled to the bigger piece of the plum. The master of the salvor gets about twice the sum that his mate receives, and the mate is paid something like double the amount of each sailor.

Should the latter have been a member of a lifeboat crew used in running hawsers or in going aboard as a prize crew and his mates are entitled to an extra compensation. Naval officers cannot claim salvage when the work accomplished is in the direct line of their duty.

In the case of a abandoned vessel there is a peculiar law as applied to ownership. No matter where the derelict be found and towed or assisted in by a prize crew or otherwise the court holds that she is still the property of her original owners, although abandoned by her crew, their agents, and that no effort has been made by them to recover her. It sounds peculiar to the average mariner, but it's the law.

To make a successful salvage claim it is necessary that the property must be actually saved and saved by those claiming to be salvors. In other words, the salvage services must be rendered by persons not bound by contract to render them. If the mariner or other encounters the danger or misfortune or damage which might possibly expose the ship to destruction unless assistance is rendered and does all he can to save the vessel, and his services tend in some degree to save or preserve her, compensation will be awarded him, although the vessel is mainly preserved by other means.

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- Gilliat, Edward. The King's Reeve, and how the Supper with his Master: an Old World Comedy. 65.920
- Green, Evelyn Everett. Esther's Charge. 64.1947
- Gregorovius, Ferdinand. The Emperor Hadrian: a Picture of the Graeco Roman World in his Time; trans. by Mary E. Robinson. 75.314
- Griff, E. Sauntering in Florence: a new Artistic and Practical Hand-book for Tourists. 31.506
- Hare, Augustus John Cuthbert. Shropshire. 31.559
- This work on the largest inland county in England is illustrated from the author's sketches.
- Holbrook, Florence. The Hiawatha Primer. 54.1225
- Holder, Charles Frederick. The Treasure Divers: a Boy's Adventures in the Depths of the Sea. 64.1920
- Jackson, A. V. Williams. Zoroaster, the Prophet of Ancient Iran. 95.613
- A biographical study based on tradition dealing with the life and legend of Zoroaster.
- Jane, Fred T. The Torpedos in Peace and War. 107.470
- Larpenteur, Charles. Forty Years a Fur Trader on the Upper Missouri: the Personal Narrative of Charles Larpenteur, 1853-72; edited with many Critical Notes by Dr. Elliott Cones. 2 vols. 96.406
- This is number two of the American Explorers Series.
- Marshall, Henry Rutgers. Instinct and Reason. 95.606
- An essay concerning the relation of instinct to reason, with some special study of the nature of religion.
- Page, Charles A. Letters of a War Correspondent; edited with notes by James R. Gilmore. 74.343
- Potter, Mary Knight. Love in Art. 53.611
- Pratt, Charles Stuart. Baz-Baz; his Twelve Adventures. 103.745
- An account of the adventures of a fly written for children.
- Raikes, Henry St. John. Life and Letters of Henry Cecil Raikes, late his Majesty's Postmaster-General. 95.611
- Roose, Max. Dutch Painters of the Nineteenth Century. 57.424
- The aim of this book is to give specimens of the talent of Dutch painters of the present day. It contains some account of the life and work of twelve representative painters, with reproductions of their pictures from originals selected by the artists themselves.
- Sage, Agnes Carr. A Little Colonial Dame: a Story of Old Manhattan Island. 66.709
- Sears, Lorenzo. Principles and Methods of Literary Criticism. 53.609
- Seklemian, A. G. The Golden Maiden, and other Folk Tales and Fairy Stories told in Armenia; Intro'd. by Alice Stone Blackwell. 64.1927
- Tochudi, Clara. Marie Antoinette from the Norwegian. 95.598
- Tyler, Moses Colt. Glimpses of England: Social, Political, Literary. 54.1235
- Essays on Englishmen and incidents of English Life based on observations of Mr. Tyler during a residence in England.
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AUBURNDALE.

- Mrs. J. H. Seaver is reported quite ill.
- Mrs. B. P. Sands is ill at her home on Grove street.
- T. F. Melody has purchased two handsome driving horses this week.
- Mrs. Lewis Robinson of Seminary avenue is visiting in New York.
- There are letters in the postoffice for Mrs. Annie B. Adams and Miss E. L. Berry.
- During the Lenten season special services will be held at the Church of the Messiah.
- Mr. Hoyt of Contoosook, N. H., is visiting his son, Mr. Myron Hoyt of Freeman street.
- Letter-carrier McBride has been ill this week. His route has been covered by Substitute Preston.
- Mrs. G. H. Bourne, accompanied by Mr. Bourne's mother, left Tuesday for Windsor, Vermont.
- Wednesday evening the regular meeting of Auburndale Lodge, A. O. U. W., was held in McVicker's hall.
- Rev. Herbert M. Allen spoke on "Cuba and Her Needs" last Sunday evening in the Congregational church.
- Riverdale lodge, N. E. O. P., holds its next meeting with Mr. Charles Hall, at her home on Auburn street.
- Bishop Lawrence confirmed a large class of candidates at the Church of the Messiah last Sunday evening.
- The Review Club will meet with Mrs. Raymond L. Bridgman, Hancock street, Tuesday, Feb. 21, at 8 p. m.
- Next Sunday at 10.30, the pastor of the Methodist church will speak on Matt. 5:48: "What Kind of Perfection?" At 7.30 p. m. he will deliver the third of the special sermons. Theme, "A Woman's Bravery." A general invitation is extended.
- A large company of ladies were present at the meeting of the Women's Christian Temperance Union in the Bible class room at the Congregational church, yesterday afternoon. Miss Alice Adams entertained the assembly with an exhaustive description and recital of "Work in the Slums of Boston."
- In the rooms of the Norumbega Club, Tuesday evening, an enjoyable party was given, and attended by a large number of maids and their friends. What was played from 8 to 9, followed by dancing, which continued until midnight. An exchange of valentines was also a feature. The first gentleman's prize was won by

Mr. Michael McCarthy, and the first lady's by Miss Nellie Hart.

—Miss Maude Fuller of Maple street has gone to New York on a visit.

—There will be a meeting of the church committee at 8.45 o'clock, in the Congregational church this evening.

—In the parlors of the Congregational church, Tuesday evening, a large gathering of young people enjoyed the Christian Endeavor social.

—The date of the next church social at the Congregational church is announced as February 22. A feature will be a New England supper.

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NONANTUM.

—Mrs. Theophilus Frye of Bridge street is confined to her home with the grip.

—Mr. Ernest Hale led the Y. P. S. C. E., at the North church last Sunday evening.

—The Ladies Church Aid met with Mrs. Green at the parsonage, Wednesday evening.

—Mr. Alfred Pepler and family, formerly living on California street, have removed to Newton.

—Mr. Henry O'Grady, formerly of East Cambridge, has taken a house on North Adams street.

—Mr. T. P. Jewett of Bridge street is reported as recovering from a severe attack of pneumonia.

—Patrolman N. F. Bosworth of the Nonantum district is reported as quite ill at his home on Cross street.

—Mr. Royal Evans of Bridge street, who has been ill for some time with tonsillitis, is again able to be about.

—Mr. Edward Burke of Watertown street, while out driving last Saturday morning, was so unfortunate as to freeze the fingers of both hands.

—A large number of people from Nonantum will attend the Fitchburg Relief Association's ball to be held this evening, at the Park Theatre, Waltham.

—The Silver Lake Cordage Co's mill was shut down Tuesday, owing to the severity of the storm, which made it impossible for many of the employees to report for duty.

—The Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor held a consecration meeting last Tuesday evening, in the vestry of the North Evangelical church, under the leadership of Minister Bacon.

—In celebration of the anniversary of their wedding, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Champagne were given a surprise party by a number of their friends at their home on California street, Tuesday evening.

—Messrs. George Fermeux and George Hudson, and the Misses Ethel and Mabel Miller attended the Baptist Sunday School Convention, held at the North Avenue Baptist church, Cambridge, last Wednesday afternoon and evening.

—A milk wagon, owned by Edward Cutler of Waltham, while being driven through this place, Tuesday morning, was slightly damaged by coming in contact with the drinking fountain at the corner of Bridge and Watertown streets. Owing to the great amount of snow which had accumulated about the fountain, the driver was unable to see it in time to avert the accident.

—Meetings have been held every evening this week at the Beulah Baptist Mission, by the Rev. J. S. Breaker of Waltham. The Beulah Mission was founded as a branch of the Beth Eden Church of Waltham, and Mr. Breaker, who is the pastor of that church, will hereafter be looked upon as the pastor of the Beulah Mission, officiating in case of deaths, marriages, and at special meetings.

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Health in Newton.

According to the mortality statistics issued this week by the board of health, during the month of January there were 49 deaths in the city, an increase of 15 over the same month in 1898. Of these 23 were males, 24 were single, 9 were widows and 2 were widowers. Pneumonia was the principal cause of death, with the grip second. Seven were between 70 and 80 years of age, and 7 were over 80 years old. Relative to infectious diseases, at the end of January the board had on hand 12 cases, scarlet fever being the most prevalent.

Boston Horse Show.

The Boston Horse Show, to be held in Mechanics Building April 17 to 22 inclusive, is an enterprise that should receive the support of all New England, which in turn parades is known as the home of the trotter. The Directors of the show have made a generous allowance for trotters, with sixteen cases and \$2425 to be divided among the winners. As the management of the Horse Show has dealt so liberally with the trotting horse men, they, in turn, especially the breeders of New England, should reciprocate and enter their best and most famous trotters.

The prize list for the show may be had on application to the secretary, 50 State Street, Boston, Mass. The entries for the exhibition will close on March 25.

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[From the Columbia (S. C.) State.]

The "extermination of 8,000,000 people by a nation which went to war with Spain rather than permit the extermination of 500,000 people would be old, to say the least of it. If we are going in for that sort of thing, let us have the best of Spain, the best of Weyler, who has had experience in such jobs. This is a rather big contract and we will need to put expert professionals in charge of it.

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Literary Notes.

An instructive little volume in "The Library of Useful Stories" is "The Story of the Cotton Plant" (Appleton), by F. Wilkinson, director of the textile and engineering school, Bolton.

The main purpose of the book is to unfold the wonderful story of the plant, and to fill in the details of the gap from tree to thread, and to trace the many changes through which the beautiful downy cotton plant has to pass before it arrives in the spinning machine or the seamstress. The author has gathered together a host of end of useful information, and he has made his story interesting as well as instructive, adding to it illustrations of various kinds of progress and different kinds of machinery whereby that progress is attained.

"The Knight of the Golden Chain" is a capital story by J. D. C. Chetani, the author of that splendid historical romance, "John of Strathbourne," which appeared in the series only a few months ago. The present story is founded on much the same lines, but has little historic coloring save that it serves to show how men hated and revenged themselves in the past. The hero has some rough experiences, being pursued as a cast into the dungeons for the killing of a son of a noble house, although he really did not commit the deed. His rough adventures bring him into contact with the little lady of the story, who helps him to make his escape, and in turn is rescued by him from a persistent suitor. It is all very prettily told, and has an old-time romantic flavor with its dungeons, chivalry, hand-to-hand fights, revenges and rescues; and the course of true love runned indeed smooth, and a mad excitement to it all. Published by D. Appleton & Co. in Town and Country Library.

Another story in the same series is "A Writer of Books," the brightest novel that has come from George Bernard Shaw's pen. It is a thoughtful, interesting and analytical study of a young woman who passes through all the phases of novel writing and finally settles down to matrimony. Incidentally it suggests a plot that would make half-a-dozen capital stories, and on the whole it is a very bright revelation of passing experiences lighted up by the dash of a young woman's wit and her real life in its pages.

Belinda and Some Others records with a flow of animation and a buoyancy which are natural to youth, how half-a-dozen orphans are tucked out of home by an uncle from Australia, to whom the property was lent a mad excitement to it all. Published by D. Appleton & Co. in Town and Country Library.

The No School Signals.

To the Editor of the GRAPHIC:

We should like to learn whether or not the public schools are for the interests and benefit of the scholars. Naturally one would suppose that was their purpose. But is it for the good of the scholars, let us ask, to be obliged to attend school on such a day as Feb. 13, and what is more, to be obliged to stay there, although barely a third of the scholars were present, and despite the increasing violence of the storm, until the cars stopped running, which necessitated for many of the scholars a two mile walk through the storm? We ourselves can bear witness to two frozen ears, and we considered ourselves lucky to reach home at all.

The facts of the case are simply these: The day, surely the case is made, in which any one of ordinary intelligence could foresee would become a gale. But was the signal of no session given? Oh no! And when some of the most faithful scholars reached the school-house, and found that the classes were reduced to one third of their usual number, were they allowed to go home? No indeed! Every such request was urged to hasten such and they were assured up to the end of the session that the cars were running regularly. What difference did it make if the scholars did find, when they were finally dismissed, that no car had made an entire trip since 9.30 a. m. Bad as this was in the high school, it was still worse in the case of the grammar schools, for no signals were given for them either in the morning or afternoon, and the children were left to find for themselves that a session in such a storm was impossible.

Surely there must be some cause for this, and surely the cause is not incompetence in certain of the school officials. It is not, unfortunately, the first time that such a thing has happened. How long, we ask in behalf of the scholars, is this state of affairs to exist? For upwards of six years the citizens of Newton have contented themselves with complaining. Now is the time for action. S. CONN.

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High School Notes.

Thompson of Newton High distinguished himself on the track last Saturday by making the fastest time made by any candidate who took his trial for the New England Interscholastic track team, which is to compete with the New York rather good team in the B. A. A. games, Friday evening. His time for three hundred and ninety yards was 49 seconds. Daniels is fifth in team standing, and so will make one of the squad. This good work on the part of Thompson brings honor to Newton High and speaks a good word for the prospects of this year's team, of which he is captain.

The track team of Brookline High school has accepted the challenge of the Newton High track team to run a team race on Feb. 22, at the annual meet. This team race between the two schools has always been a special feature of the meet and has caused a spirit of good natured rivalry between the schools.

The unfavorable weather has compelled the manager of the polo team to cancel all the scheduled games up to this date.

One of the most enjoyable social events of the school year occurred Friday evening at the Newton Highlands Club house, where a masquerade ball was given to the B. B. Club and their young lady friends by Messrs. Seaver and Ferris. The meaning of the club motto, "Oh be jolly," was carried out to the letter. Some of our friends who often indulge in that fruit, so called the water melon, were on hand with razors and helped keep the party lively. Most every thing was represented, from Teddy R. down to Rufus and the colored fringed hats, and the three rousing cheers were given for "P. B. 'Alph' Phi Kappa," and last and not by any means least, for the two "Colored Brethren." The matrons were Mrs. Seaver, Mrs. Cushman and Mrs. Ferris. It was rather a going home, but P. B. usually proves inspiring enough to keep up one's spirits for a two mile walk.

Arrangements are being made for a debate with Watertown High school, to be held some time within two months.

The tenth annual athletic meet of the Newton High school athletic association will be held next Wednesday evening, Feb. 22. Tickets for sale by all members.

The entry blanks for the open events for the meet are in demand and all may be assured of interesting contests.

In addition to the regular events in the meet there will be an open high jump.

The trials for the school team are to be made this week.

On account of the inclement weather there was no lyceum Tuesday evening.

Daughters of the Revolution

The members of the Sarah Hull Chapter D. R. of Newton met with the regent, Mrs. Alexander M. Ferris, at her residence, 87 Washington street, Hunnewell Hill, on Monday, Feb. 13, from three until six o'clock.

The fury of the storm did not prevent a goodly number of the daughters from assembling in Mrs. Ferris' spacious music room, which, with its beautiful decoration and furnishings, glowing open fire and cheery warmth, presented a delightful contrast to the storm raging without. Mrs. Ferris presided and expressed her pleasure that so many had been able to defy the weather.

After the business meeting an enjoyable program was presented. Mrs. James Wheeler, Jr., and Mrs. Ralph Emery sang pleasing selections. The paper of the afternoon entitled "My Experience in the Civil War," was given by Mrs. Ferris.

This was an interesting account of those trying days, when, deaf to the entreaties of her friends, she, as a young wife, left the comforts of home to follow the fortunes of her soldier husband, who, at the breaking out of the war, resigned a lucrative position, recruited a company, of which he was chosen captain, and which was mustered into service in the 30th Mass. Regt., and sent to the Gulf department.

Mrs. Ferris joined her husband after the siege of New Orleans, and was in that city during the administration of Gen. Butler.

The 30th Mass. Regt. was ordered to Baton Rouge, and while there, the officers of the fleet frequently exchanged social courtesies, and on these occasions, Mrs. Ferris often met both Dewey and Schley, who were lieutenants. When the 30th Mass. Regt. moved on to the storming of Port Hudson, Mrs. Ferris remained behind, comfortably seated in a deserted Confederate house.

At the siege of Port Hudson, Capt. Ferris was wounded and was brought back to Baton Rouge, delirious with pain and fever. Mrs. Ferris nursed him back to life, and when his strength permitted, took him safely home to the north. The paper was replete with incidents, which were thrilling and pathetic, and sometimes humorous, and the members expressed their appreciation of it by a rising vote of thanks. After singing America, the members prepared to the dining room, which was prettily decorated with roses, and the chapter and national colors, and they were served with refreshments by the young ladies of the chapter.

Chapter members who are about to send in supplemental papers on other revolutionary ancestors, are urged to hasten such papers as these ancestors' names cannot appear in the chapter calendar unless the papers have passed the state society.

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NEWTON CENTRE.

—Leland T. Powers at Lasell, tomorrow evening. See adv.
—Prof. Ballen left Wednesday for Pawtucket, Rhode Island.
—Mrs. F. E. Swett of Dedham street has returned from a visit in New York.
—The Mikado, postponed last Monday on account of the storm, will be given next Monday evening.
—Prof. Walters will hold his closing reception and ball at Temple hall, Friday evening, March 10th.
—At to-morrow evening's meeting at the First Baptist church the topic will be "Christian Growth."
—Patrick Sweeney of Jackson street has so far recovered from his recent illness as to be able to go out again.
—The Women's Benevolent Society of the First Baptist church met Wednesday morning in the church parlors.
—The subject of Rev. E. Y. Mullins' sermon next Sunday will be "Some of the Rocks and Rapids in the Earlier Stages of Life."
—Although no definite announcement has been made it is expected that the new Methodist church will be ready for use early in April.
—Miss Frances Dyer addressed the class in current events at the meeting of the Newton Centre Woman's Club in Bray hall, yesterday morning.
—On Sunday of last week the servant employed by Mrs. E. C. Wilson of Chestnut terrace, fell on the ice on Centre street, and fractured her hip.
—The subject of the pastor's sermon at the Methodist church next Sunday evening, will be, "What Must I Do to Become a Christian? What Must I Believe?"
—There was to have been a baptismal service at the First Baptist church last Sunday, which it was found necessary to postpone on account of the weather.
—At the service of the Methodist church next Sunday, the annual collection will be taken up for the Sunday School Union & Tract Societies, and the American Bible Society.
—Senders of valentines seemed oblivious to the big storm. At the postoffice there was an unusually large amount of Cupid's missives for the carriers to struggle with in the big drifts.
—Every Wednesday evening, during the Lenten season, there will be special services at the Church of the Sacred Heart, with sermon and benediction at 7:45 o'clock. On Friday evenings at the same hour there will be special services appropriate of the season.
—At the Unitarian church next Sunday services will be conducted by Rev. A. G. Pettengill of Hyde Park, Sunday school at 12. The young ladies of the society will hold a cake and candy sale in the church parlors on Saturday, Feb. 10th, from 2:30 to 5 p. m., for benefit of their charity fund.
—There was considerable excitement in the square for a time, Wednesday evening, caused by a runaway accident. A horse and sleigh took to the sidewalk in front of Mr. Bliss' store, and a lady, the occupant of the vehicle, was thrown. She was taken to Dr. May's office, where it was found her arm had been injured. The sleigh was completely wrecked.
—Mrs. Margaret Weir died last Friday at the Newton Hospital after a brief illness. She was 54 years old and the wife of William Weir, formerly of this place, but now of California. Mrs. Weir lived on Bowen street and had a large circle of friends here. Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at the chapel of the Newton cemetery. Rev. E. T. Sullivan, rector of the Trinity Episcopal church, officiated.
—As a social success, the eleventh annual concert and dance of Home Lodge, 102, I. O. O. F., held last Friday evening in Gray's hall, attracted all former allies held under the auspices of this well known organization. An unusually large number of members and guests were present, and the affair was thoroughly enjoyed. The committee of arrangements and reception committee included P. A. Sanderson, Arthur Muldoon, E. L. Goodwin, T. W. White, E. R. Barnes, D. W. White, W. P. Dennis, Robert Blair, Thomas Clay, W. H. Mitchell, S. W. Cobbett and Robert Hopkins. The floor was in charge of George M. Hayden, who was assisted by W. White, E. S. Hennebury, E. M. Estelle, E. D. Barnes, Ora L. M. Myers, W. H. McIver, R. J. Huggard, S. H. Akerly, R. L. Kottler, G. C. McMullin and A. H. Dresser.

Another Resignation at City Hall.

To those who have anxiously awaited the falling of Mayor Wilson's official ac at city hall came another interesting one Wednesday, when it was announced that the mayor had requested the resignation of Assistant Street Commissioner, Charles A. Peck. Mr. Peck has for a number of years occupied a responsible position in the highway department. His work has been largely on the south side of the city, where he is well known and quite popular. The resignation it is expected will take effect April 1st.

"The simplest efforts last the longest," said the gifted lecturer, "Look at Mary's lamb—forever embalm in deathless verse."

At this moment a tall stranger in the audience suddenly arose, and in a voice choked with hot emotion, fiercely cried: "You're a liar!" Then he dramatically stalked from the room.

"Who is that man?" inquired the startled lecturer.
"Oh," said the chairman of the lecture committee, "you mustn't mind him. He belongs to the Comptroller's Department."
—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

"Who is Aguinaldo?" asked Maud.
"Why, don't you know?" responded Maud.
"He's a Malay."
"Oh, yes! How stupid of me. One of those people who come from Malaya!"—Washington Star.

Miss Stillgirl (sobbing): "I think it's awfully mean. That horrid quill girl has been saying that I paint."
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NEWTON HIGHLANDS.

—Leland T. Powers at Lasell, tomorrow evening. See adv.
—Arthur Logan has been housed up for two or three weeks by illness.
—The C. L. S. C. will hold its next meeting on Monday, Feb. 20, with Miss Manson.
—The West End Literary Club will hold its next meeting on Monday at the residence of Mrs. L. M. Dorr, Walnut street.
—Mrs. Hardwick is confined to the house with an attack of the grip. Her daughter, Miss May Hardwick, has quite fully recovered from an attack of same.
—The next meeting of the Monday Club will be with Mrs. Patterson. A lecture will be given by Ezekiah Butterworth, and his subject will be "Mexico."
—The Rev. C. E. Spaulding of Winchester will preach at the Methodist church next Sunday morning. In the evening at 7:30, Rev. T. W. Bishop will occupy the pulpit.
—At the morning service, All Souls Unitarian church, Highland Club Hall, Sunday at 10:45, Rev. Wm. Safford Jones will preach. Sunday school at noon. All are cordially invited.
—Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Draper of this place and Mr. John E. Frost of Newtonville were guests at the annual ladies' night of the Royal Arcanum Club, at the Parker House, Boston, last Tuesday evening.
—A very pleasant musical entertainment was held by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Fekkes Tuesday evening, Feb. 14, at their home on Floral place. Guests were present from the Highlands and other places to enjoy the occasion.
—Mr. Fred Hayward has been heard from since his arrival in Colorado, where he went on account of the effects of an attack of the grip, from which he was recovering, and the change of climate is reported to be having a good effect.
—The third Neighborhood Conference under the auspices of All Souls Unitarian church will be held next Sunday evening at 7:30 at the residence of Mrs. Minerva C. Stone, corner of Duncklee street and Fisher avenue. All interested in church music, whether singers or not, are welcome.
—The funeral of Miss Martha Newell was held Friday at her late residence, Boylston street. Rev. Wm. Safford Jones officiated at the house and read the committal service at the Dover cemetery. Miss Newell was an old resident of Upper Mills, and formerly attended the Channing church in Newton.

—The death of Mr. Leonard Bacon occurred very suddenly on Thursday morning. He would have been ninety years of age on Tuesday next, and was the oldest resident of this place, and had resided here over seventeen years. The funeral services will be held at his late residence on Saturday at 1 o'clock.
—The Smoke Talk at the Highland Club this Saturday evening will be of unusual interest to the club members, consisting of an address of 30 minutes by one of the able writers of the day, some choice vocal selections, and a graphophone entertainment. All interested in church music, whether singers or not, are welcome.
—The drama of "East Lynne" was presented at Lincoln hall on Tuesday evening by "The Clemens Stock Co." the profits arising therefrom to be used to help promote "Life Protection Association" to be used at Crystal Lake. A fine entertainment was given, but on account of the storm, the attendance was not sufficient to produce any profit over expenses. A few weeks later on the drama will be presented again, when it is hoped a good amount may be realized for a worthy object.

—The children's entertainment given at the M. E. church on Wednesday evening might be called a great success. The children of the Sunday school gave a pleasing and amusing recitation, sang some part songs, and the boys provided orchestral music, second only to the Boston Symphony. The school was assisted by Mrs. Mildred Levi, who played very charmingly on the piano, and by Mr. Ernest E. Fekkes who gave several selections on his graphophone, receiving hearty applause.
—The event of the season will be the entertainment entitled the "Pageant of the Year," to be given in Lincoln Hall, under the auspices of the Newton Highlands Improvement Association, the object being to raise money to add to the Park Fund. Its success is already assured as the entertainment committee have given unlimited time and energy to the work. A fine class orchestra has been engaged. Dancing from 10 to 12. Doors will be opened at 7:30, and it is very important that the audience be seated at 8 o'clock sharp, otherwise, it will interfere with the "Pageant" and cause the committee great annoyance. No one can be admitted after the "Pageant" starts until the intermission. Tickets for sale at J. T. Waterhouse's and J. H. Greene's drug stores and of the committee.

—The following testimonial is self explanatory and reflects great credit on the Highland Club and its members for their hospitality: "To the Highland Club, Newton Highlands, in the vibrant story of Feb. 13th, the travellers on the railroad find themselves stranded at the Newton Highlands station for the night. Through the unbounded generosity of the Highland Club we were suddenly transferred from the cold railroad station into the beautiful and elegant quarters of the club. We endeavor to appreciate the courtesy and hearty tenders to the members of the club our hearty and sincere thanks for the kindness." Emory Grover, Needham; Rufus G. Fairbanks, Medway; L. F. Rogers, Millis; G. W. Tisdale, Needham; Wm. H. Allen, Needham; John W. Titus, Needham; George W. Fernald, Needham; Francis Harman, Medford; John J. Morgan, Needham; Thos. F. Peabody, Needham; Marion W. Harrer, Medford; Allen C. Holden, Needham; Iba J. Haskell, Medford; Ray Ruth Bailey, Needham, and forty others. In addition to the throwing open of the house with all its privileges of billiards, pool and bowling, as well as what the club furnished their guests with a substantial lunch during the twenty-four hours of their stay, and in addition all the belated passengers stranded at the Newton Highlands station were furnished with Steward Green's best coffee, Messrs. Luitweller, Spear, White, Ball and Brigham were especially thanked by the unexpected guests, and spared neither work nor expense to make our friends from up the road feel at home.

"What do you think? Papa asked Jack if he expected to get any money in marrying me."
"Was Jack insulted?"
"Insulted? He told pop that a good home was more of an object to him than wages."—Detroit Free Press.

"Who is Aguinaldo?" asked Maud.
"Why, don't you know?" responded Maud.
"He's a Malay."
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FOOD THAT INJURES.

THINGS THAT AFFLICTED PERSONS SHOULD NOT EAT.

If You Have a Tendency to Gout, Shun Meat as You Would Torture. A Little Advice to the Great Army of Sufferers From Dyspepsia.

A physician, writing in the Philadelphia Inquirer on "Foods and Their Effect on the Human System," says: That out of sorts feeling from which most of us suffer half the days of our life is usually due to our eating things we shouldn't. Although we are constructed on the same model, scarcely any two people have exactly the same kind of heart, liver and other organs, and as a result nothing is truer than the saying that "One man's meat is another man's poison."

Meat, for instance, is a slow poison to a number of individuals. If there is a gouty strain in your family, you are storing up future torture for yourself every time you eat a chop or piece of beef. Gout is simply the result of too much uric acid in the blood, and meat is full of the material from which uric acid is made.

You may think that so long as you have not to sit in an easy chair all day there is no need for precautions in diet. But the first symptoms are always mild, and if you feel irritable and unable to settle down to work you had better be careful how much meat you eat. Englishmen are said to be the worst tempered people on earth. They are also the most gouty, and there can be no doubt that they are the greatest meat eaters.

Nothing is more nourishing than sugar, yet it is absolutely poison to those who are prone to diabetes, and any one inclined to corpulence should regard it as a natural enemy. Two lumps of sugar per day in excess of the quantity required by the body would add 60 pounds to a man's weight in five years—that is, of course, if he had the sort of constitution that easily puts on flesh.

But it is not sugar alone which is injurious to diabetics and stout people. The former should not look at porridge, rice, beet root, Spanish onions, port wine, rum or ginger beer; the latter should take neither soup, beer, potatoes nor treacle, while gouty people should not touch peas or beans.

If any member of your family has St. Vitus' dance or epilepsy, you should eat meat very sparingly and grapes not at all, while you might as well think of committing suicide as frequenting the barroom.

For dyspeptics it is impossible to say what food is good, because everything is bad. White bread remains undigested for hours, brown bread is most irritating and injurious, vegetables are converted into gases and painful acids, and most kinds of meat are too heavy. The dyspeptic, in fact, ought never to have been born.

However, since the sufferer from dyspepsia must eat, let him follow this rule, and it may bring relief: Eat a little of everything, but eat sparingly, never leaving the table with a sense of having eaten sufficient; eat slowly. Masticate all food thoroughly and never drink while eating. If he must drink, let him drink after he has finished eating.

No doubt the majority of people see no connection between their ailments and the breakfast or dinner which they have enjoyed. But there are many persons who are so severely affected by particular articles of diet that there is no question about the fact that some kinds of food are more or less poisonous to us all, although we may not suffer very greatly after eating them. An acquaintance of the writer's, for example, falls into convulsions if he eats a single strawberry, and even the odor of strawberry jam in the neighborhood of jam factories almost throws him into a fit.

The writer knows a lady whose heart comes to a stop if she eats an egg. Of course she never intentionally eats one now, but frequently on taking a piece of cake or some kind of pudding or sauce containing eggs she swoons.

Many people get cramp in the stomach from eating honey, and more than one death has resulted from this cause. Others are made violently sick by the smell of apples, and a patient of the writer's has often seemed to suffocate him, while another had to give up drinking milk because it produced intense inflammation of the eyes.

Many kinds of fish cause serious illness. Lobsters and crabs produce most painful itching in some people, and the writer has known several who after eating salmon felt a horrid taste in the mouth, and soon after suffered so badly from headache as to be compelled to go to bed.

These latter are the extreme instances of injury from food, but they prove that thousands of people suffer in a less degree, and that probably no one can lunch or dine without swallowing something poisonous to his system.

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Old Lady (putting her head out of the window and shrieking)—Guard, stop the train and let me out, or I'll be murdered!—London Tit Bits.

A German historian directs attention to the fact that in the middle ages the Mediterranean was connected by a canal with the Red sea, and that in 1585 the Mohammedan powers had a project of rebuilding this predecessor of the Suez canal.

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Mortgagee's Sale of Real Estate

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by George H. Jones and Susan Elizabeth Jones, his wife, in her own right, to Otis Norcross and Grenville H. Norcross, Trustees under the will of Isaac Cushing, late of Boston, deceased, for the benefit of J. Cushing, dated April 11, 1888, and duly recorded with Middlesex South District Deeds Book 1846, Page 384, which mortgage was duly assigned to Sarah S. Pratt, for breach of the conditions therein contained, and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, will be sold at Public Auction upon the premises, on Monday, the thirteenth day of March, 1899, at four o'clock in the afternoon, all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed, namely:—

A certain piece or parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situated in that part of Newton, in said County of Middlesex, known as Ward 7, and bounded and described as follows, viz:—Beginning at the easterly corner of Kenrick Street and Magnolia Avenue, and thence running southerly by said Magnolia Avenue, two hundred and sixty-five (265) feet; thence turning and running easterly by land now or late of John A. Kenrick and George B. Jones, two hundred (200) feet to land now or late of Oldrieve; thence turning and running northerly by said land of Oldrieve two hundred and fifty-eight (258) feet to said Kenrick Street; thence turning and running westerly by said Kenrick Street, one hundred and forty and one-half (140.50) feet to the point of beginning; containing 48,488 square feet, be the same more or less.

Being the same premises conveyed to the said Susan E. Jones by Peter Jones, by deed dated March 21st, 1887, and recorded with said Middlesex No. Dist. Deeds, Book 1789, Page 388.

Said premises will be sold subject to any unpaid taxes or sever assessments.

\$500 at time and place of sale.

SARAH S. PRATT,
Assignee and present holder.
Boston, February 15th, 1899.
21 Milk Street, Boston Mass.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the subscriber has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of John Joseph Leahy, late of Newton, in said County of Middlesex, intestate, and has taken upon herself that trust by giving bonds, as the law directs. All persons having claims against the said estate, and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to said administrator.

MARIA LEAHY, Administratrix.
87 Pearl St., Newton.
Feb. 16, 1899.

Mortgagee's Sale of Real Estate.

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Frank E. Hawke to Henry T. Wills, dated February 11th, 1898, and recorded with Middlesex South District deeds book 2023 page 58, and by the said Henry T. Wills assigned to Thomas Weston, Attorney, by deed dated May 25th 1898, and recorded with Middlesex South District deeds book 2060 page 480, the present holder of said mortgage will be sold at public auction for breach of the conditions of said mortgage on the premises hereinafter described, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, on Saturday, March 11, 1899, at 3 o'clock P. M., all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed, and therein described substantially as follows:—

A certain parcel of land situated in Newton, in the County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, being lot numbered seven on the plan of "land in Auburndale, Mass. owned by W. G. Cruickshank and A. P. Murray," A. S. N. Estes surveyor, dated September 24, 1894, recorded in Middlesex South District Registry of Deeds, said parcel is bounded and described as shown on said plan as follows: viz: northwesterly by Rowe Street, seventy-four and 55-100 (74.55) feet; north-easterly by lot numbered eleven (11) on said plan, ninety-five and 90-100 (95.00) feet; southeasterly by lots numbered eight (8) and ten (10) on said plan, seventy-four and 56-100 (74.55) feet; southwesterly by lot numbered five (5) on said plan, ninety-seven and 28-100 (97.28) feet; containing 7300 square feet.

Said premises will be sold subject to any unpaid taxes, and assessments, and to any mortgages and restrictions appearing of record. Two hundred dollars (\$200.00) of the purchase price to be paid at the time of sale, the balance to be paid in ten days from the date of the sale, at twelve o'clock noon.

THOMAS WESTON,
Attorney, and present holder of said mortgage.
Newton, February 15, 1899.

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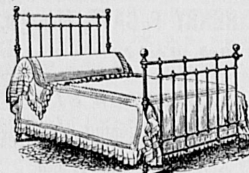
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School Department

At a regular meeting of the School Committee held January 25, 1899, the following order was unanimously adopted:

Ordered, That a special committee of seven (one member from each ward) be appointed by the board to consider the work that is now being required in grades IV to IX, inclusive, with special reference to the curriculum that is freely made that the work in these grades is overworked.

This committee shall also consider whether in their judgment the proper amount of time and instruction is given to the fundamental studies of spelling, arithmetic, grammar and geography.

This committee shall hold at least one open meeting in each ward of the city, for which purpose the use of the schoolhouses shall be granted, and shall cause public notice to be given of such meetings, with an invitation to the citizens to be present and express their views.

This committee shall make a report not later than the May, 1899, meeting of the Board.

This special committee, having been appointed, hereby gives notice that the first meeting of the series will be held in the hall of the Bigelow School House, in Newton, on Wednesday evening, March 1, at 7.45 o'clock, and all interested residents of Wards one and seven are invited to be present and express their views upon the questions covered by the foregoing order.

AVERY L. RAND, Ward 6, Chairman.
JOHN A. HAMILTON, Ward 1.
CHARLES F. AVERY, Ward 2.
LAWRENCE BOND, Ward 3.
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—Mr. J. Luther Roll has returned from a business trip in Maine.

—Mr. Arthur Lane returned this week from a trip to New York.

—Mrs. L. L. Tower of Newtonville avenue has been ill this week.

—Mrs. Emily B. Hall of Waban street has recovered from her recent illness.

—Miss Mabel Owens of Brookline has been the guest of friends here this week.

—Mr. S. P. Whitman and family of Channing street removed this week to Andover, Mass.

—Mr. George Cummings has returned to his home in Michigan after a visit here with relatives.

—Tuesday afternoon there was a meeting of the Junior League in the vestry of the Methodist church.

—Mr. E. I. Latham of Emerson street is visiting his former home in Hinsdale, N. H., this week.

—Next Sunday's offering at the Eliot church will be for the Congregational Church Building Society.

—A large number of the young people of Eliot church enjoyed a sociable in the church parlors, Tuesday evening.

—Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bartlett entertained the Monday evening whist club at their residence, Monday evening.

—The Neighborhood Circle was entertained last Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Charles Whittemore on Summit street.

—Mrs. D. R. Emerson of Jewett street is confined to the house, suffering from an injury to the knee, the result of a fall Monday.

—John A. Leavitt established a new 1,000 yards swimming record at the Brookline public baths last evening. Time, 16m. 38.1-4s.

—Mrs. John A. Kenrick of Eliot road has returned after a ten week's visit to her brother, Mr. P. C. Jones of Philadelphia.

—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Downs, formerly of this place, now of South Braintree, are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter.

—Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Whittemore and Thordike Whittemore leave this week for Braintree, Mass., to be gone through the month of March.

—A baptismal service was held last Sunday evening at the Emmanuel Baptist church, conducted by the pastor, Rev. George E. Merrill.

—Mr. E. W. Cobb and Mr. I. T. Burr attended the meeting and banquet of the Merchants Club, held at the Algonquin Club, Boston, Tuesday evening.

—With the Appalachian Mountain Club enjoying its snow-shoeing trip near Jackson, N. H., are Messrs. Charles E. Lord and Walter R. Davis of Newton.

—This week's meeting of the Monday Evening Club was held at the residence of Mr. K. W. Hobart on Sagamore street. The speaker was Rev. E. H. Hyington.

—The Newton Choral society has changed its evening of meeting from Thursday to Monday evening, February 27.

—The annual meeting of the Social Science club, for election of officers and other business, will be held at the Hunnewell club Wednesday, March 1, at 10 o'clock.

—Among the guests from Newton at the annual reunion and banquet of Battery B, 1st regiment, held in the United States hotel, Boston, Tuesday evening, was Major Robert B. Edes.

—Monday afternoon the monthly meeting of the Ladies Home and Laundry Missionary society of the Methodist church were held at the parsonage on Wesley street.

—A still alarm at 8 o'clock last Saturday evening called the fire department to extinguish an incipient blaze in the rear of 411 Centre street, caused by hot ashes setting fire to a quantity of wood.

—Framed pictures, landscapes and reproductions of paintings suitable for presents or card prizes may be had of Marshall & Kelly, photographers, Stevens building, 263 Washington street, Newton.

—Rev. Fayette Nichols, a former pastor of the Methodist church, will occupy its pulpit next Sunday in exchange with the pastor. In the evening Dr. F. N. Seerley of Springfield will give an address.

—Patriotic exercises were held Monday afternoon at the Bigelow school, in honor of Washington's birthday. Rev. F. B. Hornbrooke addressed the scholars.

—"Washington," and recitations and singing, by the school, followed.

—Before a large company of ladies, in the parlors of the parish house of Grace church yesterday afternoon, Mrs. Ware, wife of the archdeacon of South Dakota, gave an intensely interesting address on "Women among the miners in the Black Hills of Dakota."

—Mrs. Sarah J. Stearns, widow of the late Daniel Stearns, died last Friday at her home on Watertown street. She was 73 years old and had made her home in Newton many years. The funeral services were held Monday at the house, and conducted by Rev. F. B. Hornbrooke.

—Mr. and Mrs. Paine of Williams street entertained a company of friends at their home, Thursday evening of last week. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Parmenter, Mr. and Mrs. Mars, Mr. and Mrs. Black, Miss Corinne Chapin, Miss Helen Mars and Charles and Russell Black.

—In the vestry of the Methodist church, Monday evening, the third meeting of the Church History Class was held. The general subject was on different topics were read as follows: Miss Kate Stevenson, "The Donations of Pain;" Mrs. C. E. Holmes, "The New Worship;" Mrs. J. A. Barber, "Ecclesiastical Art;" Mrs. Stevens, "Christian Benevolence."

—Mrs. Lucy Jane Hunt, wife of Mr. Nelson H. Hunt, died last Sunday morning at her home on Carleton street, aged 50 years. Mrs. Hunt had been in poor health for some time. She was a well known member of the Emmanuel Baptist church, and had a large circle of friends here. A husband and son survive her. The funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at the Emmanuel Baptist church, Rev. Mr. Merrill officiating. The remains were placed in the receiving tomb at Newton Centre.

—Last evening in the hall of the Y. M. C. A., Nonantum building, a good sized audience enjoyed an excellent concert program, made up of selections by the Technology Glee, Banjo and Mandolin clubs, and readings and impersonations by Mr. William R. Page. Every number was well received, and the audience was not slow in demonstrating its approval of one of the best concerts of the kind that has been heard here for some time. The manager was H. N. Hudson, and the leaders, Glee, W. O.

Adams; Banjo, M. B. Foster; Mandolin, J. W. Hunsley.

—In the chapel of Eliot church, Tuesday afternoon, was held the regular meeting of the Woman's Association.

—The regular meeting of the Channing Sewing Circle, was held yesterday morning in the church parlors.

—When patrons come from out of town, are you not convinced of the ability of Barn's, Cokes Bk. as a Haircutter.

—The Young People's meeting at the Emmanuel Baptist church next Sunday evening, will be led by Miss Mary Porter.

—Mrs. J. H. Nichols and Mrs. J. W. Davis are in charge of the local contributors to the M-A-I Mission Work in France.

—Miss Mildred Page of Newton is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hallett Page of Denver, who gave a large ball in her honor last week.

—Hon. G. D. Gilman addressed a meeting of the Woman's Club held in Boston, last Monday afternoon, on "Hawaii and Expansion."

—At the temperance vespers service last Sunday afternoon in Tremont Temple, Boston, Mr. E. B. Earle of Salem street gave an address on "John B. Gough."

—Mrs. D. B. O. Barton of Carlton street presided at the meeting last Saturday afternoon, of the Mt. Holyoke Alumnae association, at the Hotel Vendome, Boston.

—Mr. L. L. Tower has purchased the property, 280 Dartmouth street, Boston, next to the Vendome, formerly owned by Maria C. Mansfield. The price was \$20,875.

—The pulpit of the Eliot church was occupied last Sunday at both morning and evening services by Rev. Nehemiah Boynton, D. D., pastor of the First Congregational church of Detroit, Michigan.

—A special meeting of the Young Ladies Missionary Society was held Tuesday afternoon at the home of Miss Miriam Trowbridge on Kenrick street, to arrange for the fair to be held in Berkeley Temple, Boston.

—At the meeting next Sunday of the Business Men's class of Eliot church, there will be a discussion of the following topics, led by Mr. F. H. Howes: "Why Should the Czar's Disarmament Proposition have the Support of Christian Nations?"

—A party of young folk from this place attended the 6th annual meeting of the Children's Societies of Suffolk Branch, held in the vestry of the Central church, Boston, last Saturday. Mrs. C. H. Daniels and Miss Mary L. Speare were in charge of the party.

—Under the auspices of the Epworth League of the Methodist church, last evening, an enjoyable sociable was held, and attended by a large number. An interesting talk, descriptive of her recent travels abroad, was given by Miss Helen Eager, followed by musical selections.

—Music at Channing church Sunday: Prelude, Andante, cello and organ, Gottemann Anthem, "Ye shall go out with joy," Handel. "Contralto and organ." "We shall come down like rain," Allen Scholdest Meyerbeer

—The third Read Fund lecture is announced for next Tuesday evening, in Eliot hall, when Dr. J. Tracy Edson, graduate of the U. S. Naval Academy, late Ensign of the navy, watch and division officer of the "Gloucester," at the Battle of Santiago, July 3d, of last year, will give his famous "Story of the U. S. Gunboat Gloucester."

—Music at Grace church Sunday evening: Processional, "Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven," Haydn Anthem, "God that madest earth and all therein," A. H. Mann Anthem, "Abide with me," E. A. Bartell Solo, soprano, "Abide with me," Shelley Retrospectual, "Ancient of days," Jeffreys Seats free.

—Music in Eliot church next Sunday: MORNING. Organ prelude, Bagatelle, Coerne Anthem, "Sing Praises unto the Lord," Cruikshank Quartet, Jubilate in E flat, Foote Offertory, Morning Hymn, Rheinberger Organ postlude, Grand Chorus in B flat, Dubois

EVENING. Organ prelude, Andantino in A, Salome Anthem, "Praise the Lord," Randegger Duet, "The Lord is my light," Buck Quartet, "Now the day is past," Marks Organ selections (at close of services), Palast Romanza, March in D, Smart

Letter Carriers' Banquet.

A most enjoyable and successful Banquet was held in Woodland Park Hotel last Saturday evening under the auspices of the Newton Letter Carriers' Association, who had as their guests the Postmaster and the Superintendents of the different stations in the Newton postal district.

A committee including W. H. Barney and M. J. Barry had the affair in charge and are largely responsible for its success. M. J. Barney acted as toastmaster and in a few well chosen words welcomed the guests and introduced the several speakers.

Speeches were made by the Postmaster, Edward A. Ellis, and Superintendents Williams, Stacy, and Turner; also carriers Kimball, Dunn, O'Halloran, and McBride.

Mr. Ellis in a neat speech thanked his men for the hospitality shown him on the occasion of their first banquet, congratulated them on the spirit of friendship and unity that existed among his carriers and assured them that in him they would ever have a friend ready and willing to provide for their welfare and the good of the service.

A pretty souvenir in the form of a menu containing announcements and a design appropriate to the occasion served as a pleasant reminder of an enjoyable evening.

Newton Centre Savings Bank.

At the last annual meeting of the Newton Centre Savings Bank, Mr. Mellen Bray was appointed treasurer and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Seward W. Jones; vice-president, David H. Andrews; clerk, Wm. M. Flanders; trustees, Seward W. Jones, Dwight Chester, B. E. Taylor, Geo. F. Richardson, F. J. Hale, Arthur Middleton, Wm. M. Noble, Geo. S. Smith, H. H. Kimball, D. H. Andrews, Mellen Bray, E. T. Colburn, W. M. Flanders, A. F. Hayward, J. J. Noble, A. H. Dresser, C. S. Luitwiler, Edward B. Eaton, investment committee, Seward W. Jones, D. H. Andrews, Dwight Chester, E. T. Colburn, Edward B. Eaton.

The amount of deposits shows an increase during the year of \$62,000, and a net increase in the number of depositors of 223. A dividend at the rate of 4 per cent was declared.

Washington Tours, \$23.

Including side trip to Mount Vernon and Alexandria, under the personally-conducted tourist system of the Pennsylvania railroad, leaving Boston Jan. 3, Feb. 6 and 27, March 13 and 27, April 3, 10 and 24. Seven days, \$23. Side trip to Old Point Comfort, itinerary of D. N. Bell, Tourist Agent, 205 Washington street, Boston.

Newton Froebel Union.

Mothers, teachers and kindergartners, with all others engaged in the affairs of childhood, will be interested in an association which has for its objects motherly works and motherly enlightenment.

The name "Froebel Union" is not intended to repel those who are not familiar with the teachings of Friedrich Froebel, but rather to attract them, that they may enjoy in theory and practice the help he has to give.

The Union is formed with the earnest intention of proceeding according to Froebel's teachings. But students of these teachings are quick to recognize that for generations many fathers and mothers have from intuition cared for their children in part by means of the noble ways he has recommended. For this students are on the lookout always to gain from every one what they may, and in diffusing the light of systematic truth they are only increasing that of which all have something already.

The Froebel Union has no desire to work competitively with the Education Association, nor to rival any organization similar to itself. On the contrary its wish is to aid and abet all who, like itself, are gathered for progress in home and school life.

The occasion for co-operative work to meet the constantly increasing needs of the poor, and the children of the poor in our city is most evident.

It is felt that at least three day nurseries with their consequent interests, could be well filled, while our Associated Charities and other helpful societies are constantly in need of assistance and support.

A distinct desire of the kindergarten student is to absorb, letting action immediately follow.

This is just what the Newton Froebel Union would do; provide ways by which knowledge may be increased, and strive that the increase of intelligence be met in kindly living, as rapidly as can be done with wholesome strength.

As one way to advance ends, the Union has announced two free lectures by Dr. Charles Hamford Henderson, on Saturday evenings, Feb. 25th and March 11th, in the parlors of the New church, Highland avenue, Newtonville. The most cordial invitation is extended to all. The secretary of the Union is Miss Florence M. Taylor, Otis street, Newtonville.

GRACE CALL KEMPTON.

NEWTON CLUB.

Saturday, Feb. 25. Gentlemen's Whist.

The regular monthly assembly which was to take place Wednesday, Mar. 1st, has been postponed to Wednesday evening, Mar. 22nd. This assembly, the 22nd, will be preceded by an extra menu for blue table d'hôte dinner, which has become so popular with the members of the club and their friends. On Saturday, Mar. 4, music.

The entertainment by Mr. Polk Miller last Saturday was well attended and Mr. Miller in his pleasing manner kept the house in a continuous uproar. Mr. Miller in his character songs and sketches won applause, which was well merited, and members will look forward to seeing him again another season.

Washington's Birthday was celebrated at the Newton Club in royal style

THE LEGISLATURE.

WASHINGTON, MCKINLEY AND WOLCOTT—SENATOR HARWOOD PRAISED—NEWTON SETS A GOOD EXAMPLE FOR OTHER CITIES—CITY SOLICITOR SLOCOM'S ABILITY—OUR NEW BOARD OF SURVEY BILL.

(Special Legislative Correspondence.)

Beacon Hill, Feb. 23.

After the imposing ceremonies in recognition of the visit of the President of the United States last week, it was fitting that the members of the Great and General Court should pause this week and remember that there was another president as great as William McKinley. The feeling seems to be that in years to come our present genial and devoted executive will have his name linked with Washington and Lincoln as our third great emancipator, but at all events Gov. Wolcott turned from the honors he so graciously gave to McKinley to do honor to the memory of Washington by giving the reception which has become an annual feature, though personal bereavement led his Excellency to omit it last year. I wonder if McKinley was sorry he did not send Wolcott to England after observing with what high taste, grace and polish he carried out his part in the spectacular exercises of last week. He would have been a man after Washington's own heart, if the Father of his Country is accurately described to us in books, and had he lived a century or so earlier, Washington would have made an ambassador of him without doubt, to show to foreign parts what kind of men the United States could produce. But England's gain would be Massachusetts' loss, and pretty soon we are going to be confronted with the problem of what we are going to do with Roger Wolcott. He has been a feature of the executive department for seven or eight years, and Massachusetts has not need to him. Shall we send him to Washington? and if so, in what capacity? If to succeed George F. Hoar, what is that other popular man, who had to be funny to prevent his importance eclipsing that of his chief last week—John D. Long—going to say about it? The best answer is to let Senator Hoar stay just where he is until the embarrassment of riches adjusts itself a little better.

Senator Harwood won many encomiums by the graceful way in which he performed his part as chairman of the President's reception committee. When a great gathering of people are witnessing a public function, it is worth a good deal to have men who do the speaking parts gifted with clear, resonant voices, who know how to enunciate distinctly. Everybody knew what the Newton senator was saying, and appreciated it.

On Monday President Smith was absent, and Senator Harwood was in the chair, presiding over the only long session the senate has had this year. There were several debates, and he had to decide a point of order, something which very rarely happens in the upper branch. The bill to permit the exemption of Brockton from the tax limit law was being debated. Senator Attwell of Essex and Senator Dallinger of Middlesex attacked it, on the ground that if there was to be exemption at all it should apply to all cities, and finally Senator Dallinger raised the point that the committee on cities should have reported a bill of a general nature, under the rules, rather than a special bill. The chair sustained the committee.

It seems that Brockton has never been subject to the tax limit law. In 1885, when the law was passed, she was one of the cities which was temporarily exempt. She then had 13,000 inhabitants, and so rapid has been her growth that she is now credited with 35,000. From time to time the exemption has been renewed, and she now asks exemption for five years more. Last year her tax was \$22 on a thousand, and it is expected that this year it will be \$1.50 more, but her people are alleged to be satisfied, as they desire all modern improvements. The situation must have been rather embarrassing for Mr. Chadwick and the other members of the committee on cities. Senator Chamberlain of Brockton is the chairman, and of course urged the measure, which was the subject of the warning of the Governor in his inaugural address this very thing. When the debate was going on in the Senate the other day, I could not help reflecting on what would happen to the bill if the effort to recommit it and have a general bill reported in its place had been carried through. The Governor would never have permitted it to get by him. It is not after his definite position against exemptions from the debt and tax limit.

I think it was only last week that I called attention to the adoption of Newton laws in the Melrose charter. Before anything further happens I wish to suggest that money could be saved the municipalities of the commonwealth if City Solicitor Slocom were retained as advisory counsel to the general solicitor. On Tuesday Senator Chamberlain, who had so bad a case of grip that he could not speak aloud, got Senator Williams to move the recall of the Newton sewer assessment bill from the hands of the governor. At first his friends feared that his excellency meditated harm to the bill, but I learned from Senator Chamberlain that the governor had heard much about its merits from various sources, and he was convinced that the proper thing to do was to have it recalled and recommitted, that a general bill might be reported, under which all municipalities would be treated on the same basis, and the blessings primarily designed for Newton. This was done, and doubtless as soon as the committee can draw the general bill it will be reported and passed.

The cities' committee listened to further Newton eloquence on Tuesday, when Mr. Slocom appeared in opposition to a bill calling for the repeal of the special law permitting a tax in abatement for the expense of street watering. Dorchester people were present to advocate repeal, on the ground that while citizens within four miles of the Boston city hall were charged five cents per front foot for street watering, the expense for the region outside that limit was met by a general tax levy. There was a suggestion of a compromise, whereby the cost should be only 1-2 cents in Boston, which may save the law, so useful in many cities.

We are hearing lots of political talk these days. It is even hinted that Attorney General Knowlton may contest the governorship with Murray Crane. If so it will be only playing for position, for nobody believes that it would mean other than a plain bid for the nomination, as Crane's successor three years hence. For Knowlton to do this would be to leave the lieutenant governorship to be settled between Speaker Bates and Col. Guild, with the advantage very much in favor of the former. Col. Olin will be renominated, while there is a lively contest for the treasurer'ship, between ex-Senator Bradford of Springfield, whose hope would be that Knowlton, and not Crane, might get first place, for there is small prospect of western Massachusetts getting two places on the ticket, Col. Whipple of Brockton and Maj. Hodgkins of Somerville. Those judges think Hodgkins can get it if he goes at it right. Herbert Parker of Lancaster, District Attorney Harris of Bridgewater and ex-Senator Wellman of Malden are possibilities for attorney general, and I do not know why Senator Harwood should not enter the lists, particularly as the candidacy of Henry E. Turner of Malden for auditor may keep his friend Wellman out of the field. I understand Senator George of Haverhill is thinking deeply of the auditorship, but the more the candidates multiply the better things will look for Gen. Kim-

ball, who is only opposed because somebody else wants his place.

The speaker'ship boys are busy these days, but it seems to be conceded that there are but two candidates for the senate presidency, Washburn of Worcester and Williams of Middlesex. This question is likely to be settled before prorogation by circumstances which may arise. Both would reflect honor upon the commonwealth. The Newton board of survey bill is set for hearing on Wednesday of next week, March 1. I notice that although Mr. Chadwick's committee is very faithful, meeting practically every day and having several hearings each time it meets, this bill has only four days left to it with matters massed before the time for filing final reports expires. As it has a very large number of matters assigned, it will of course pass for a number of times and time and Speaker Bates and President Smith like to have as many committees as possible report within the limit, and then extend the time of committees which have to ask it, rather than to extend the time of all committees. The presiding officers have been particularly about dividing matters among committees. For instance, one bill for free employment offices in all cities is before cities, while another for employment offices in cities of over 50,000 inhabitants is in probate and insolvency. Both matters would in other years have gone to labor.

There is a terrible crash of people at the hearings in these days. On Tuesday I noticed Mr. Langford with a couple of friends trying to get a seat to either in the case, and they had a hard time doing it. The subject of state control of county prisons came up in the committee on cities this week, and was of course both praised and opposed. Chairman Gould of the Massachusetts commission was one of the chief opponents. By the way, I wonder what the reformers who secured his nomination a couple of years ago think of him. Mr. Gould is an able and perfectly honest man, but he is as good a man for the elements which were thrown down in that famous contest as J. Henry Reed would have been.

Newton Congregational Club.

The Newton Congregational Club held a meeting of special interest Monday evening in the parlors of the Central Congregational church. A social hour was enjoyed, followed by the supper, at six.

The business session was called to order at 7.30, the new president, Prof. J. B. Taylor, presiding. He announced the topic for the evening, "A Century Since Washington's Time: How far have the Ideas of Christian Civilization Changed," and made a brief but interesting address. Rev. E. H. Byington was introduced and gave a short talk on "The Change in Preaching during the past Century." He said that the preaching had improved in proportion with the advances in civilization. The people of today would not be satisfied with the preaching of fifty years ago.

Rev. Archibald McCullagh, D. D., of Plymouth church, Worcester, spoke the nucleus of the subject. He said that it was appropriate, on the eve of the birthday of him whose character has been a benediction and an inspiration to the nation, to review the progress of that people. There seems to be an undercurrent of opinion that the church is unable to solve the questions that confront it, that the church is a failure. The churches have been represented as empty and bankrupt.

If this is true, then the church is a failure. Mr. McCullagh said he had no disposition to accept this verdict. He considered the church girded for the fight, and was continually extending the bounds of Christianity. The past century has been phenomenal in the history of the world. What has the church done to ameliorate the condition of society? In comparing the social and commercial life with the religious, we find that the church has progressed in proportion with the social relation with all material developments.

At the beginning of the present century slavery was a recognized institution in America and many of the European countries. Less than forty years ago Russia emancipated her millions of serfs. Thirty-five years ago America liberated her slaves. The past fifty years has witnessed the establishment of liberty in all the influential nations of the world.

In England one hundred years ago the criminal code contained 223 crimes, which were punishable by sentence of death. Now we have only a few. What has been accomplished by the American people during the century? The steamboat has been invented by an American; electricity was discovered and the ability to control it was conceived by an American; the cable was laid between this country and Europe by an American; the telephone was invented by an American.

Now is the church looking for a grip upon this magnificent people or has it let it slip away from this phenomenal progress? At the opening of the century there was a population of five millions with a church membership of 300,000. In 1880 with a population of 50,000,000 there were 10,000,000 church members. In 1880 there were 281 church edifices; in 1880 there were 92,000. Does this look as if the church was not matting and matching the march of progress?

There is much between capital and labor which needs adjustment, but there never was a time when labor was more justly treated than at the present day.

Now at the closing of the century has transpired an event, the far reaching results of which can not be over estimated in its momentousness. We were at war with a people whose opinions in politics, religion and in every line were directly opposed to our own. The issue is well known but opinions are divided as to the desirability of new possessions. Many claim that the Cubans and Filipinos are uncivilized, ignorant and suspicious of those who are their benefactors. Can we expect any thing better than this? Is it not natural after the years of oppression and cruelty under the Spanish rule? What great work was ever undertaken by a nation without difficulties and hardships to overcome? 300 years ago the African was brought to this country and suffered in slavery for over two and one-half centuries, and were liberated at the sacrifice of much blood and misery.

Thirty-five years ago they were born into freedom, ignorant, not knowing even the sacredness of the home ties. The time has been marked by an amazing and marvellous growth. They are among the taxpayers. Two and one-half million of those people can read. Their children are members of schools and many have been trained in the professions. They have established schools and colleges; they have developed statesmen and preachers.

Let us now accept the duty put upon us. Send the men of education to our new possessions and impart to them the means of civilization. We are told there are no men competent to govern these people.

God never ceases to put forth good men to fill all positions. Within a new political nation was to be formed, was not a Washington ready to take the reins of government; when a nation of slaves were to be emancipated was not a Lincoln standing with pen in hand ready to dip it in his own blood?

In conclusion, Dr. McCullagh said it was necessary to cultivate a spirit of equality and to stand ready to do whatever work God gives us to do. We must be loyal to God.

Dr. McCullagh was followed by Rev. Charles H. Daniels. He spoke of the fact that 100 years ago it would have been impossible to purchase a Bible at any book store. Now they are given a place of prominence. He spoke also of the establishment of the American ideas in other countries.

Music was furnished by the church choir and patriotic songs were rendered by Miss Day and Miss Johnson of the quartet.

THE BIGELOW SCHOOL SITE.

MR. LANGFORD'S LETTER TO THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

To the Board of Aldermen of the City of Newton:—

Gentlemen:—At the last meeting of your honorable body, a petition was presented asking for a hearing upon the "site, building, and purpose" of the proposed school for Wards One and Seven. The statement having been made that there was but one name on the petition that was entitled to any consideration, permit me to say that the petition was signed by an ex-mayor of our city, an ex-ass't. atty. general of the Commonwealth, an ex-pres. of the Newton club, a member and ex-member of the legislature, a member of the school committee, a master of a public school, a clergyman, five ex-aldermen and councilmen, an ex-assessor of taxes, a bank cashier, also bankers, lawyers and merchants of wealth and high position.

Every signer of that petition was entitled to respectful consideration at your hands. I supposed the right of petition was a sacred right, to be denied only when it had been clearly shown that the granting of the petition would be against the public interests, and yet the prayer of these petitioners was not granted, neither was it shown that to grant it would be against the public interests. Let us examine the facts bearing upon this question.

First—The board of aldermen of 1899 have never given a hearing upon this important subject, which is contested among the residents of Wards 1 and 7.

Second—Of the 21 members of your board, 9 are new members before whom the facts have never been presented in any form by the people.

Many of the most important facts bearing upon the whole question have never been presented to any board.

Fourth—While it is true as stated, that a hearing was held last October, the questions before your board today, and which are used to influence your action, are questions that were not presented at the October hearing, nor have they been publicly considered.

Fifth—Following the questions which were presented and considered at the October hearing, a meeting of the Wards 1 and 7 members of the board of aldermen and school committee was held at the suggestion of their associates, to see if they could agree upon a site, and after careful consideration, nine out of ten of these members approved the Underwood site for a school building as proposed by the school committee, and so reported to their respective boards.

Sixth—At the earnest solicitation of the one opposing member of your board, the board of aldermen of 1897, passed the subject over to your body in order to give its members time to procure and present the preferences of the residents of the two wards as to site for the proposed school.

Seventh—The residents of these wards, who were not, "which site do you prefer; the Bigelow or the Underwood site?" This simple question would have gained an unbiased expression of opinion; but instead petitions were drawn up containing statements which prejudged the question. One petition signed by taxpayers involved questions of costs, coupled with a statement to influence the taxpayers, "that it will probably cost the city \$30,000 less to build a school building upon the Bigelow site than upon the Underwood site as proposed."

The second petition was drawn with the evident design of appealing to the fears and prejudices of the parents or guardians, saying, "that on account of the largely increased dangers from fire and epidemic diseases, that they believe it to be unwise to congregate the pupils of the Bigelow and Underwood schools into one building."

These petitions for the reason given, prayed that your board erect a grammar school building upon the site of the present Bigelow school, i. e., a building to accommodate the grammar pupils only.

I submit that the questions involved in these petitions have never been publicly considered, and that your board cannot consistently act upon them or the subject to which they refer without giving full opportunity to every citizen, however humble, to present his views, and that your board is not to be misled by any of these petitions, which are misleading or untrue. If they are misleading or untrue, then the signatures to the petitions can be fairly said to have been obtained under false representations. If true, then I submit that I shall attempt to prove before your board.

First—That the statement contained in the petition of taxpayers that "it will probably cost the city \$30,000 less to build a school building upon the Bigelow site than upon the Underwood site as proposed," is not true. On the contrary I shall attempt to prove that it will probably cost the city over \$10,000 more to build a school building upon the Bigelow site than upon the Underwood site as proposed.

Second—The difference between these two statements is \$40,000, a sum so large that some one must be in error. I do not believe that our impoverished city treasury has any money, not even \$10,000 to throw away or to expend in a useless manner, neither do I believe that your honorable body can safely proceed in this matter without first receiving all the light that can be thrown thereon, even from the humblest citizen.

Third—That if the parents or guardians are right in the fears expressed, i. e., "that it is unwise on account of dangers from fire and epidemic diseases, to congregate the pupils of the Bigelow and Underwood schools into one building," then the school committee are wrong, and should be called to account for recommending to your board the erection of a building so large as to endanger the lives and health of the pupils who are to congregate therein. Further, if the parents or guardians are right, and their request and the request of taxpayers is complied with, i. e., to erect a grammar school building, then the school committee are wrong in recommending to your board a 12-room building on the Bigelow lot for the Bigelow grammar pupils, because a modern 12-room building is more than double the size needed for the accommodation of these pupils, and to construct the building as proposed, would probably cost on the basis of estimates before your board, over \$50,000 of the taxpayers' money in excess of the sum required to meet the needs of these grammar pupils, not only for the present, but for many years to come.

Fourth—I have reason to believe that the framers and circulators of these two petitions did not fully comprehend this subject, or they never would have drawn such petitions and followed them with their present recommendations to your board. For certainly no one will accuse them of intentional insincerity, and yet the two actions seem to be inconsistent.

I think I have said enough to show that the prayer of the petitioners for a hearing was not for the purpose of obstruction and delay, but was for the purpose of bringing before your honorable body, light and knowledge, which, I feel sure, has never been presented to you. I therefore ask, in justice to the people, that you will take from your files the petition asking for a hearing as to "site, building and purpose" for the new school for Wards 1 and 7, and grant the prayer of the petitioners.

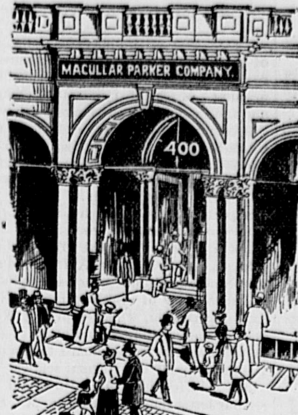
JOHN T. LANGFORD.

Newton, Feb. 20, 1899.

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DUTIES OF PARENTS.

The school board decided this week against the teaching of cooking in the public schools, and to many this will appear as a symptom of a return of sense in our ideas regarding schools. The new fad has been to teach everything in the public schools, from "scientific whittling" to "scientific temperance." To take from parents any necessity of giving their children any instruction in anything, and to cram the children so full of knowledge on every possible subject that there will be no need of their learning anything in their after life.

Every day sees some new branch proposed to be added to the school curriculum as the great necessity of the age, and while one wants languages, another wants the teaching of trades, so that pupils can take positions immediately after their school days, whether as expert bookkeepers or as engineers or dressmakers, or cooks, or temperance lecturers, or carpenters, or expert anything else. We have gone to an impossible extreme, and possibly this action of our school board may indicate the coming of a healthy reaction, and a recognition that in the few years of school life there are some things that can not be done.

Cooking, for example, is one of them, and the school board took the position that this was one of the things that could be taught better in the homes of Newton than in the schools. In the homes are all the facilities, and practical work can be done under the instruction of experts, and children can be taught that they have some duties to perform as members of the family. There are always things to be done about a house, which even the smallest child can do, and it will be manual training in the best sense to give them such duties, and require them to be performed daily.

Schools have their place and so have the homes, and parents have duties to their children as well as the teachers. It would be very convenient to shirk them all upon the teachers, but it is not a wise thing to do, and it is not at all wise to expect impossibilities of the schools. A good many people think that the danger limit has been reached, and that it is high time to return to old fashioned methods, which turned out healthy minded men and women, even if they knew little about the hundred and one things now demanded of even the lowest grades in our schools.

Our Legislative correspondent in commenting on the President's visit, says that the feeling seems to be that McKinley will take rank with Washington and Lincoln as the third great emancipator. We hope Mr. Mann has not been promised a federal office, as our readers would miss his pleasant record of events at the State House. But to think of McKinley ranking with Lincoln and Washington as an emancipator is something new. Possibly it is so, for under his administration the whites of the south have emancipated themselves from all danger of negro rule, and they regard this as a great blessing although some regard it as the undoing of the work of Lincoln. The great trusts and monopolies have also emancipated themselves, under this administration, from all restraints of government, and are freed from vexatious interferences. We have emancipated the Philippines from Spanish rule, by the help of the Filipinos, and are now slaughtering our late allies because they prefer liberty to the blessings of our "benevolent assimilation."

We also emancipated the white oligarchy of Hawaii from all fear of native rule, by annexing the islands, and we have emancipated the Cubans, but the imperialists proclaim that after letting them play at being independent, for a little while, owing to a foolish promise by the President, we will gather them in also. Lincoln had critics, who deplored his emancipation of the colored people, and Mr. McKinley has critics, just the same, who deplore his special brand of emancipation, because they think it differs radically from the kind made famous by Washington and Lincoln.

Another hearing is to be held on the location of the proposed new Bigelow school building, which subject appears to have been thrashed over already with a good deal of thoroughness. But as during this weather it would not be possible to do any building, those who enjoy hearings might as well have them, and the board of aldermen might name a few extra nights, when those who wish might talk it over and see if they could not get together. The rest of the city rather enjoys the quarrel, as it prevents anything being done, and any expenditure of city money, and they would like to have it kept up all through the year, if possible, so that the appropriation for the new building could be deferred to next year. It might be a good idea for the board

of aldermen to pass a sort of McNeely resolution, that no money shall be appropriated for this purpose, until all the inhabitants of Wards One and Seven come to some harmonious and satisfactory agreement as to the location, and this would put it off till a more convenient season. If the two locations were a mile or so apart, one could understand the violence of the different sides, but as they are only a stone's throw distant from each other, it is difficult to see why such bitter opposition should have developed.

HUNNEWELL CLUB NOTES.

Friday, 24th, Bowling, Team Tournament. Saturday, 25th, Gentlemen's Night. Monday, 27th, Bowling, Team Tournament. Tuesday, 28th, Bowling. Wednesday, 1st, Bowling, Team Tournament.

Minstrel rehearsal tomorrow evening. All should endeavor to be present. Future rehearsals will be held Saturday evenings until further notice.

The postponed match between teams 7 and 8 will be rolled next Tuesday evening, and on Thursday evening, teams 1 and 2 will roll their match.

A friendly match was rolled at the Riverdale Casino club last Tuesday evening. Several went over and had a most enjoyable time, and were royally treated by the hosts.

The Chestnut Hill club has extended an invitation to the Hunnewell club to be their guests this evening. A bowling match will be one of the evening's features, and the members are invited to bring ladies.

The first bottle pool tournament has been finished, L. E. Coffin beating H. G. Lapham, 10 games out of three. The prize was a silk umbrella.

The lecture, which it was announced would take place on Tuesday evening, the 28th, has been postponed until the following Tuesday, March 7th, when Miss Annie S. Beck, the first woman to ascend the Minster, will give an illustrated lecture on her trip and incidents connected with the occasion. The ladies will be invited to be present to welcome Miss Beck.

In the bowling tournament teams 3 and 9 beat teams 4 and 10, two strings out of three respectively, on last Friday evening, and on Monday evening, team 4 beat team 12, two games out of three, and team 3 beat team 1, all strings.

The drawings are announced in the second billiard and pool tournament. In the billiards there are 18 entries, in the pool, 15 entries, and in the bottle pool, 40 entries. The matches were commenced on Washington's birthday. The first round in the billiards must be finished by March 4th; in the pool tournament on March 11th, and in the bottle pool tournament, by March 14th.

Teams 2, 5, 7, and 10 bowl this evening; on Monday evening, teams 1, 6, 8, and 9, and on Wednesday evening, teams 3, 4, and 11 will try issues.

The clubhouse was crowded afternoon and evening on Washington's birthday, by members and their friends, and most enjoyable times were spent on the billiard room, and at the whist tables. During the evening a bountiful lunch was served by the club caterer.

On the holiday afternoon, a billiard exhibition was given before a large number of members. Mr. Fred Eames, the amateur champion, and Mr. M. Yatter gave exhibition games of black-line and carrom billiards; also fancy shots with one and hand. Their efforts brought forth rounds of applause, and the results were many times remarkable.

Members of the Hunnewell club and their guests were delightfully entertained, Tuesday evening, at the third in the series of ladies night whists, under the auspices of the club. The entire clubhouse was thrown open for the entertainment of the company but the principal feature was progressive whist, which was played at 20 tables. At 10, prizes were distributed as follows: Mr. and Mrs. Abram Byfield, first; Mr. S. W. Holmes and Miss Jewell, second; Mr. and Mrs. Emerson, third. Supper followed the whist. The committee on arrangements for the evening consisted of W. H. Holbrook and E. M. Hallett.

The pool tournament was won by E. R. Estabrooks, who defeated W. F. Bowman. The prize was a gold stick pin.

Mr. Charles F. Pierce, the animal painter, has on exhibition this week, at the State House, a composition in his original vein. It is a herd of young Jerseys coming through the woods. The artist has shown a skill usual in his successful drawing of animals. The painting shows a fine harmony of color, well understood and executed. The composition is finely balanced, and the accessories are not too prominent.

In one exhibition match between Mr. Eames and Mr. Yatter, Mr. Eames made the following run: 1, 41, 97, 2, 34.

In the bowling tournament held Wednesday, Mr. C. O. Tucker won the prize, a ball, making the highest three string record of 573 pins. He also made the highest single string of 294 pins.

Mr. J. B. Goodrich beat E. M. Hallett in the first round of the billiard tournament. In the bottle pool tournament W. B. Trowbridge beat C. V. Spencer; H. G. Lapham beat L. E. Coffin, and H. W. Kendall beat B. K. Moore.

The prizes for the next billiard and pool tournament, are on exhibition at the club.

Honor to an Allen Boy.

Feb. 21, '99.

To the Editor of the Graphic:—A deserved honor conferred upon Carlos Yznaga, an ex-family student during five years at the Allen brothers at West Newton. On fourth instant Senator Yznaga was chosen first mayor of Trinidad de Cuba by unanimous vote of its citizens, and appointed by the U. S. Military Command, Lieut. Governor of the city and province of Trinidad. In a letter to his late teachers, Senator Yznaga speaks in enthusiastic praise of the entire regeneration of Trinidad by Col. Geo. LeRoy Brown of the U. S. army. Streets cleaned and the city's hygienic condition placed in a new order, endearing himself and his command to all its citizens, who contrast the U. S. humane and the Spanish cruel regime. Why not adopt the same system in the Philippines, causing love and gratitude in place of fear and hate, which our present treatment develops.

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"The Mikado" Repeated.

Again on Monday evening the production of "The Mikado" under Mrs. Paillip W. Carter's direction delighted a large audience in Temple hall. It was originally intended that this performance should be given the 13th, but it was postponed until last Monday evening on account of the storm.

The parts were sustained by the same clever amateurs who appeared in the first performance, Feb. 19. Everything moved with remarkable smoothness, and the work of the performers evoked the unstinted applause of an admiring audience.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

STATE HOUSE, BOSTON, Feb. 21st, 1899. The Committee on Cities will give a hearing to parties interested in a petition of the Mayor of Newton, with accompanying bill (House No. 527) relative to the location, laying out and construction of Highways in City of Newton, at room No. 44 State House, on Wednesday, March 1st at 10.30 o'clock A. M.

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SCHOOL BOARD.

MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY EVENING—MATTER OF COOKING COMES UP, BUT IS NOT FAVORED—"NO SCHOOL BELL"—THE CAUSE OF MUCH DISCUSSION—OTHER SUBJECTS OF IMPORTANCE.

There was no holiday for ten members of the school board, who attended the regular session of that body, Wednesday evening. Much of importance came up, and the session was the longest this year.

A communication was received from City Clerk Kingsbury, announcing that \$2539.93 had been received from the annual collection of dog taxes, and added to the general appropriation for schools.

Superintendent Aldrich's report related to a communication from E. P. Seaver, superintendent of the Boston public schools, asking that Mr. Aldrich inquire of the Newton school board its opinion of the feasibility of establishing a Normal school in Boston, whether or not Newton would send a limited number of pupils, and through its school board take a part in the direction of the Normal school.

Mr. Aldrich in explanation said that a similar letter had been sent by Mr. Seaver to the school boards of other cities, and the matter had been looked upon unfavorably. He himself thought it impractical. He did not feel free to express his opinion at length, but gave some brief explanation of the scheme. The communication was received on motion of Mr. Avery.

The committee on school houses requested an extension of time on the matter of investigating the crowded condition of the Thompsonville school. The members of the committee had not had the opportunity to look into the matter, and asked that they be allowed another month in which to prepare the report. This was granted.

The finance committee made these recommendations, which were accepted: That \$25 be appropriated for postage stamps; that the salary of Mary C. Bowers, Adams school, be fixed at \$825 a year; that the salary of Mary Porter, Ella E. Briggs, Emma Batchelder and Ida M. Stevens, Mason school, be fixed at \$850; that the salary of Sadie M. Keller, Rice school, be fixed at \$850; that the salary of Mary A. Reed and Mabel P. Whitman, Hyde school, be fixed at \$850; that the salary of Harriet J. Goodnow and Mary W. Lane, Pierce school, and Emma D. Larabee, Eliot school, be fixed at \$850; also that the salary of the janitor of the Oak Hill school be fixed at \$15 a month.

The finance committee also recommended that the first round in the billiard tournament be finished by March 4th; in the pool tournament on March 11th, and in the bottle pool tournament, by March 14th. In reply to Mr. Rand it was explained by Mr. Hardy that there were several pupils who lived too far away to go home at noon, and as they were obliged to stay in the building he felt the principal should have them in his charge. The order was then voted upon and adopted.

THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE'S FUND.

When the finance committee reported recommending that the special committee of seven, who will conduct public hearings in all the school districts regarding the opinion of parents, on the class of studies, be allowed \$50 for its expenses, Mr. Rand explained to the committee's probable expenses.

The sum of \$50, the superintendent declared, would not be enough. Mr. Hardy replied that the finance committee did not wish to commit itself on the line of expenses, hinting that the sum might be increased.

Mr. Rand told of the committee's plans. It intended to advertise in the papers, send a certain number of circulars and have stenographic reports made of each meeting.

A vote was taken and an amendment to increase the appropriation to \$150 was passed.

OTHER SUBJECTS.

On recommendation of the finance committee an order appropriating \$16,253.28 for the department expenses for the month of February was adopted.

An order granting Anna G. Swain a three months' leave of absence, was referred to the finance committee for its consideration.

The same action was taken on the order fixing Ella G. Pulsifer's salary at \$45 a month.

COOKING WILL NOT BE TAUGHT.

On this interesting subject there was no little discussion. It came up in the form of a report from the committee on text books and courses of study. In explanation it should be said that the Newton Centre Women's Club had offered to place the necessary apparatus for the teaching of cooking in the Mason school, Newton Centre, providing that the school board would furnish the material and teacher. The cost of the apparatus, which the club offered to install, would be about \$250.

The committee's report presented by Mr. Huntington, was not favorable. It was voluminous, and contained a broad consideration of the subject. It set forth that it was the opinion of the committee that the Newton Centre ladies was magnanimous, and that the board and city should feel deeply grateful for the interest shown. Also that at present such a plan was impracticable for many reasons. There had been of late much criticism of the school curriculum; charges had been made that it was overcrowded. The opinion of the committee was, however, that by adding cooking it was being too much upon the schools; that the teaching of cooking was a function of the home; that elementary branches were more essential; that in face of a resolution adopted at a public caucus last year in Ward 9, expressing the disfavor of the voters towards cooking, this apparent difference of opinion was worthy of home training; that Newton was not a city where the scholars needed the instruction in home training; that its homes were well able to teach the children such arts as these.

Mr. Howes was opposed to the acceptance of the committee's report. He thought it differed with the opinion of the prominent educators. That Newton by adopting this report, would antagonize the great educators.

Mr. Hornbrooke feared that if such apparatus was installed at Newton Centre, that the school board could not refuse to accept similar charges that might come from other parts of the city.

Mr. Howes then offered a resolution as an amendment, providing for the acceptance of the Women's Clubs' offer, and authorizing the superintendent to prepare plans for carrying on the work.

Mr. Howes' amendment was lost, however, by a vote of 8 nays to 2 nays. The original report was then accepted.

THE NO SCHOOL BELL.

Mr. Luitwieler offered an order for the amendment of that portion of the rules relating to the duties of the superintendent, which would cause the amended section to read "in case of stormy weather the superintendent shall suspend all schools, etc."

This change, as proposed by Mr. Luitwieler, was merely in the phraseology, omitting the word "very," before stormy, and changing the word "may" to "shall." In support of this Mr. Luitwieler told how he had been besieged by parents who were strong in their conviction that something should be done to have the bell rung earlier. He told of cases of frozen ears, and of serious delay that arose from Monday's storm, and how scholars felt they must attend the school or lose their standing.

Mr. Howes thought the schools should be opened at all times, that those scholars who were able to go might attend and receive instruction that might help them to advance. He felt the school year was at present altogether too short.

Mr. Hardy thought the matter should be referred to the committee on rules and regulations. Mr. Rand spoke of Monday's storm. He thought Mr. Adams of the High school erred in not dismissing the High school pupils Monday, after the condition of the weather had indicated a severe, all-day storm. Mayor Wilson was much agitated about it, and had been approached by several citizens. There was strong feeling something should be done.

Mr. Luitwieler spoke of the mayor's agitation over the matter, and moved the rules be suspended that the order might then be adopted. This motion was lost, and the matter was referred to the committee on rules and regulations.

Mr. Avery then offered an order in substance, "that the mayor be authorized to instruct the police department all over the city, to notify the superintendent each stormy morning at 7 o'clock as to the condition of streets, sidewalks, and of any disorderly conduct, and to arrange the arrangement of time tables on the railroads or other conveyances that might interfere with the pupils' transit to and from school." This was not even seconded. An order was adopted compelling the special teachers to arrange a complete schedule for the time to be devoted to each of the classes. This, Mr. Luitwieler explained, was not intended to cast any discredit on any special teacher, but such a course was needed.

At 9.30 o'clock the board adjourned.

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—Mrs. Charles W. Keene of Walnut street is in Kansas City for a short stay.

—Miss Edith Corse of New York is the guest of relatives here for a few weeks.

—Mr. and Mrs. Richard H. West are enjoying a few months at the Adirondacks.

—Mr. George R. Pulsifer and family are occupying their new home on Birch Hill road.

—The Boys' club gave a successful dance Friday evening, in Odd Fellows hall, West Newton.

—Miss Nellie Tancered entertained a few friends Saturday evening at her home on Otis street. Whist was enjoyed.

—The Lend a Hand club are arranging for a sale and dance to be given in Denison hall, Wednesday evening, March 29.

—The Newtonville Women's Guild held a musical afternoon, Tuesday, in the parlors of the New church, Highland avenue.

—The many friends of Mrs. Arthur Vose were much grieved to hear of her sudden death Saturday evening, at her home in Waban.

—Mr. Wm. I. Howell has returned from Philadelphia where he was called to attend the funeral of his mother, who died last Friday aged 84.

—The handsome silver prizes awarded at the high school athletic association tournament, Wednesday, were displayed in the window of Payne's pharmacy.

—The regular meeting of the "Newtonville Baptist Division" will be at Miss L. B. Upham's, 14 Churchhill avenue, Wednesday, March 1st, at 2 p. m.

—Miss Montgomery was the leader at the Y. P. S. C. E. meeting at the Central Congregational church, Sunday evening. The topic was, "Chosen to Bear Fruit."

—Mrs. H. J. Patrick of Washington street was one of the guests at the annual meeting of Mt. Holyoke Alumnae association at the Vendome, Saturday afternoon.

—Messrs. Albert G. Seavey and Alfred L. Lindsay were elected members of the Methodist Social Union at the reception held at the American House, Boston, Monday evening.

—The Gethsemane Commandery will hold a meeting Tuesday evening. The annual inspection will be made by the Grand Lecturer of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

—The Rev. Mr. Garland, formerly of Manchester, N. H., will preach at St. John's Episcopal church at Temple hall, Sunday, at 10:45 and 4 p. m. Feb. 26th will be the second Sunday in Lent. Music as usual during Lent, is rendered by the vested choir.

—Boynton Lodge of Odd Ladies will celebrate their 9th anniversary, Tuesday evening, Feb. 28th, in Denison hall, by a supper, sale, entertainment and dance. Prof. Walters of Waltham will furnish the music, and a thoroughly good time will be enjoyed. The next meeting is to be on Tuesday afternoon, Feb. 28th.

—The ladies missionary society, connected with the Methodist church, held their regular monthly meeting with the pastor, Rev. Mr. Holmes, at the vestry of the Methodist church in that place, on Thursday afternoon last. A good number were in attendance, and a pleasant occasion was enjoyed by all.

—The annual meeting of the shareholders of the Newtonville Electric Light Co. will be held at the banking rooms of the corporation, 397 Walnut street, Tuesday evening, March 7, at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of electing officers, and transacting any other business which may come before the meeting.

—It is understood that the Methodist society have invited Rev. J. T. Thayer to become their pastor for the coming conference year, to succeed Rev. F. E. Hamilton, whose term expires in April next. Mr. Thompson is at present the pastor of Grace M. E. church, Worcester, where he is now completing the fifth year of his pastorate.

—Methodist Episcopal church—Sunday evening at 7:30, there will be a sermon and service of special interest to young men. All young people especially are cordially invited. All seats free, and interesting music. Sunday morning, at 10:45, the pastor, Rev. Franklin Hamilton, will preach. Strangers are cordially welcome. This church has discontinued the pew rental system. Everybody invited.

—Last Friday evening at Nickerson Hall West Newton the Epistolian Gann Ph. society of the class of 1901 N. H. S. gave a dance under the management of Messrs. Alfred Greenwood, Walter Hills and Stanley S. Holmes. The dance was attended by about thirty couples, the sophomore, junior, and senior classes being well represented. Mr. Holmes, Mr. Greenwood and Mrs. Hills acted as matrons.

—Mr. Hiram M. French died Sunday morning at the residence of his son, Mr. Fred E. French. Deceased was 71 years of age. He was born in Springfield where he resided until 1880, when business interests caused his removal to Boston. He was two years he has made his home with his son on Newtonville avenue. As a mark of the esteem in which he was held by his fellow citizens, he was sent to the legislature in 72 as representative from Springfield. During his residence in Boston he was engaged in the electric light business, and for several years was treasurer of the Ball Electric Light Co. He was one of the most reliable of men, and the construction of the Chestnut Hill tunnel, and was awarded the contract for one thousand feet of the same. Although in failing health for some time, Mr. French was confined to his house only a short time previous to his death. A widow and one son survive him. The funeral was held from his late residence, Tuesday afternoon. Rev. Dr. Mullens, pastor of the Newton Centre Baptist church officiated. The funeral home quartet sang, "One Sweetly Solemn Thought," and "We Shall Meet Beyond the River." The interment was at Rockdale, Mass.

—Washington's birthday has come to be regarded as the opening of the bicycle season, and bicycle dealers on that date are prepared to show all the attractions for the coming season. About all the riders in this section called at F. J. Read's handsome store, Wednesday, and looked over the new wheels. There does not seem to be any marked changes this year, although there are some improvements in a general way, in the perfecting of parts, and better running qualities. The chainless, of which so much has been said, does not seem to be expected to cut a great figure, as very few are being made by the manufacturers, and it is difficult to get samples. Mr. Read shows a Crawford chainless, of the bevel gear, which has a special advantage for a ladies wheel, as it takes away the danger of skirts catching in the chain. The Orient also has a chainless, with a different gear, which some think is the coming wheel. This year's Victor is a beauty, of an especially trim appearance, and Victor wheels always stand up well. The Columbia's familiar name plate was seen on one of the most reliable of wheels, and the Orient, the great favorite in Newton, was represented by wheels of several prices. The Crawford, which has surprised the skeptical by its excellent wearing qualities, in spite of its low price, has several grades this year, and bids fair to be as popular as ever. The Dayton, the B. & D. Special, the Eagle and the Liberty, are all on Mr. Read's list, and are up to date in every respect. Those who want a good wheel at a low price, found some great bargains in the second-hand stock shown in the rear room, and that riders are getting ready for spring was seen by the large number of wheels sent in for repairs. Mr. Read has a fine location on the Washington street boulevard, which is handy for riders who find themselves in need of a

wheel doctor, and the coming season promises to be a very successful one.

—Mrs. S. W. George is slowly recovering from the grip.

—Miss Carrie Jordan is convalescing after a severe illness.

—Mr. George B. Cook of Walnut terrace is quite ill with tonsillitis.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Cheney of Walnut street are entertaining friends.

—Mr. Frank Dow of Austin street has recovered from his recent long illness.

—Mr. Charles Hartshorne is very ill with pneumonia at his home on Cabot street.

—Mr. Frederick S. Amidon is reported as quite ill at his home on Brooks avenue.

—Mr. Drowne of Walnut street is reported as recovering, after a severe illness.

—Mrs. J. B. Cook of Walnut terrace has recovered from her recent severe illness.

—Mr. Daniel Lynch of Walnut street has recovered from a severe attack of the grip.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Curtis of Kirkland road are entertaining friends from New York.

—Mr. and Mrs. George M. Bridges are receiving congratulations on the birth of a fine boy.

—The Ladies Aid Society will meet Thursday afternoon in the parlors of the M. E. church.

—Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Johnson of Walnut street are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son.

—Mr. Philip Carter has recovered from his recent lameness sufficiently to lay aside his crutches.

—Congratulations are in order for Mr. and Mrs. E. S. George of Omar terrace, on the birth of a daughter.

—Mrs. E. W. Greene of Mt. Vernon street, has returned to Newtonville after an extended absence.

—Mr. William O'Leary of Austin street has been ill with the grip, but has recovered sufficiently to be out.

—Miss Smith, who has been visiting Mr. G. W. Morse on Court street, returned to her home Thursday.

—Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Lindsay of Lowell avenue are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter.

—Mrs. D. C. Heath entertained a company of friends at her home on Highland avenue, Wednesday evening.

—A concert will be given at the Central church, next Thursday evening, complimentary to Mr. Young, the organist.

—Rev. C. M. Southgate of Auburndale, occupied the pulpit at the Central Congregational church, Sunday morning.

—"Thanksgiving and Thankfulness" was the subject at the meeting of the Y. P. C. U., Sunday evening, in the Universalist church parlors.

—A social meeting will be held this evening in the parlors of the Central Congregational church. The topic will be, "How is Christ Misunderstood?"

—Newton Royal Arch Chapter held its regular meeting, Tuesday evening. The mark degree was worked. A collation was served at the close of the business session.

—There are letters remaining in the post-office for A. H. Gross, Homer Jeannot, Miss Elmer Connelly, care of Dr. C. M. Cook, Mrs. Carrie M. King, Miss Annie Melia.

—Rev. Dr. George F. Eaton preached at the Methodist church on Sunday evening last, in pursuance of his official duties as presiding elder of the North Boston district.

—The Charity Square was invited to meet with Mrs. Hollings, Thursday afternoon from 2:30 to 5. There was a good attendance and a pleasant afternoon was passed.

—The Boys' Brigade gave an entertainment and social to the members of their church, Wednesday evening, in the Methodist church parlors. Refreshments were served.

—Rev. J. M. Dutton will deliver his farewell sermon before the Central Congregational society, Sunday morning. He expects to leave for his new field of duties about March 1st.

—The fourth quarterly conference of the year was held Tuesday evening, at the residence of Rev. F. E. Hamilton. There was a good attendance, and several questions of interest were discussed.

—Prof. John W. Dickinson of Cabot street, who fell on the ice, several months since, breaking his hip, has recovered and is now able to walk. He received quite an ovation on his first appearance in the square, Monday afternoon.

—Mr. Henry O'Leary of this place died suddenly of consumption at the Holy Cross hospital, Cambridge, Tuesday evening. He was 40 years of age. He was buried from his late home on Clinton street. The interment was in Calvary cemetery, Waltham.

WEST NEWTON.

—Mr. Fred W. Eddy of Cape Breton is in town on a visit.

—Mrs. J. W. Stanley of Berkeley street has returned home.

—Mr. Ralph Chase of Hillside avenue has returned home.

—Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Lincoln of Lenox street are entertaining friends.

—Miss Elsie Bennett of Hillside avenue is spending a few weeks in Vermont.

—Mr. Frank Priest of Derby street is able to be out after his recent illness.

—Rev. Dr. Pulsford of Waltham occupied the pulpit at the Unitarian church Sunday.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Damon of Putnam street returned last Friday from Florida.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. Linfield Damon, Jr., of Putnam street left Saturday for Bermuda.

—The engagement is announced of Mr. Frank Garrison, son of Mr. William Garrison, to Miss Yarnall of Haverford, Tennessee.

—Mr. Fred Warren of Chestnut street has returned from his recent trip in New York.

—At the Baptist church Tuesday afternoon, the W. C. T. U., held an Evangelistic meeting.

—Mrs. A. C. Mason and Mrs. Munson of Danvers, Michigan, are in town the guests of friends.

—Miss Alice Morton has returned to her home on Webster street, after a visit to Philadelphia.

—The History Class met Wednesday forenoon with Mrs. E. N. L. Walton on Chestnut street.

—Mrs. T. A. Flue of Winthrop street left for Philadelphia last Saturday on a two week's visit.

—Miss Mabel Johnson of Washington street entertained Miss Carrie Wise of Everett, last Sunday.

—The West Newton Women's Educational Club will hold a meeting this afternoon in the parlors of the Unitarian church. The meeting is in charge of the literary committee, Mrs. Freeland O. Stanley of Newton will deliver a paper on Shelley. Selections from his works will be read. Music will be under the direction of Miss Elizabeth Cheney.

—Dr. Curtis has been in New York this week enjoying a visit with relatives.

—Mr. Walter Lockett of Highland avenue is entertaining a relative from the west.

—Rev. J. C. James preached at the First parish church, Waltham, last Sunday morning.

—Miss Mable Baird, the milliner, has removed to 1415 Eddy's Block, Washington street.

—Mr. James Collins was recently elected president of one of the classes of Boston College.

—Miss May Johnson of Washington street has returned from her recent trip to New York.

—Rev. E. P. Burtt, who has been seriously ill at his home on Lincoln park, is reported convalescing.

—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cook gave an at home last Monday evening at their new residence on Valentine street.

—Miss Clara A. Brown of Boston has purchased the piece of land known as the Phillips estate on Shaw street.

—Mr. George E. Pierce, formerly of this place, has removed to the corner of Prospect and Main streets, Waltham.

—Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Homer and Miss Florence Homer are at the Hotel Manhattan, New York, and will go South from there.

—Mayor Wilson was a guest at the reception given by the Methodist Social Union at the American House, Boston, Monday evening.

—At the children's entertainment given in the Boston Theatre Saturday afternoon, Mrs. John T. Prince was one of the patronesses.

—The ladies held an all day sewing circle at the Baptist church, Wednesday. The work for the Alaskan Orphanage is being rapidly completed.

—Mrs. M. F. Hall of Washington street entertained friends last Wednesday evening. A social evening was enjoyed and refreshments were served.

—Candidates will be initiated at the meeting of Garden City Lodge, 1901, Knights of Honor, on Friday evening. A large attendance is desired.

—The bursting of a water pipe in Odd Fellows Hall last Wednesday evening, caused considerable damage to the barber shop which is directly under it.

—Miss Fannie B. Allen of the Lucy Jackson Chapter, D. A. R., attended the delegates and regents meeting held at the Parker House, Boston, last week.

—Last Friday evening at the annual social of the sophomores and juniors classes in the college building of Boston University, Prof. T. B. Lindsay was one of the speakers.

—At the regular meeting of Newton Lodge, 92, L. O. E. F., held last evening, three candidates for membership were initiated, and other propositions for membership were filed.

—Among the guests present at the annual meeting of Mt. Holyoke Alumnae Association at the Vendome, Saturday afternoon, was noticed Mrs. Henry B. Day of this place.

—The West Newton Women's Alliance held an open meeting Thursday afternoon in the parlors of the Unitarian church. An interesting paper was presented by Miss Harriet Tolman.

—The Red Bank Society will hold its annual meeting in the Congregational church parlors tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. Reports will be read, banks opened and refreshments served.

—A Young People's Sociable was held in the vestry of the Baptist church last evening. A patriotic entertainment was in keeping with the season, and was well received by an appreciative audience. Refreshments were served.

—The regular monthly sociable was held last evening in the parlors of the Congregational church. A pleasing program appropriate to the season was presented. Refreshments were served.

—Last Friday evening in the parlors of the Unitarian church, the one act farce, "Cox and Box," was presented before a large audience. At the conclusion of the entertainment refreshments were served, and a social hour enjoyed.

—About 11 o'clock Saturday morning Alle Tourquist, who is employed in the F. M. Lucas planing mill, lost two fingers and part of his left hand in a jig planer. He was removed to the hospital. His home is at 115 Beacon street, Somerville.

—The Newton Veteran Firemen's Association will hold a meeting Wednesday evening at the engine house, Watertown street. Owing to the resignation of Mr. French and the death of Mr. M. J. Duane, it is necessary to elect a president and vice president.

—There were fourteen applicants who took the examination for the board of health, held at city hall by the civil service examiners. The average will probably not be announced until next week, and a special meeting of the board of health called, at which time the new agent will be appointed.

—About 10:30 o'clock yesterday morning an alarm was sounded from box 314 for a blaze in the house at 50 Cherry street, West Newton, owned by J. H. Nickerson and occupied by Patrick Donahue. The upper portion of the house was damaged to the amount of about \$350. The fire was caused by an over-heated stove.

—Horatio Nelson Hyde, who was removed from the position of superintendent of water works in Newton and later arrested for alleged irregularities, was last Saturday indicted by the Middlesex county grand jury at East Cambridge for embezzling money with obtaining money under false pretences and embezzlement from the city of Newton. Judge Hardy was on the bench.

—While Miss Mabel Lyons of Plympton street, Waltham, with two companions, was driving through Washington street last Friday afternoon, her horse ran away, and the occupants of the sleigh were thrown out. They escaped with a few slight bruises. The horse dashed down Washington street, and was finally captured by Patrolman Bob Harrison of division 1, after a hard struggle.

—The matter of telephones is occupying Mayor Wilson's attention at City Hall. It is his opinion that the number of the instruments should be reduced to one-half, and the telephone to every two offices, with a very few exceptions. Of course every office, through its occupants, is grumbling about the change, but what's the use?

—Mr. William Bosworth died Sunday evening at his home on Waltham street, after an illness of several weeks. Deceased was born in Duxbury, and was 89 years of age. His parents removed to Boston when he was a young lad. He received his education in the public schools of that city from which he graduated with honor. About 47 years ago, Mr. Bosworth removed to West Newton, where he has since resided. He retired from active business about two years ago. He was a member of the Congregational church. One daughter survives him. The funeral was held from the house Tuesday afternoon. Rev. T. P. Prudden officiated at the services. The floral tributes were numerous and beautiful. The Harvard quartet rendered several selections. The interment was in the family lot at Newton cemetery.

—In Knights of Honor Hall last Tuesday evening, the Lafayette associates gave an entertainment and whist party, which added another to the number of successes which this organization has already made this season. The entertainment consisted of selections by Boston's famous new vocal soloists, Mr. John Quinsley; vocal solos, humorous recitations, piano solos and readings by several members of the company. Whist was enjoyed from 8 to 11 o'clock. The first gentleman's prize was awarded to Mr. T. J. Lyons, and the first ladies' prize was won by Miss Nellie Crough. The event was thoroughly enjoyed by the 200 guests who were present.

—John Eliot lodge, 149, A. O. U. W., celebrated the sixth anniversary in Odd Fellows hall Wednesday evening, with an entertainment and dance. The members of the lodge may well feel proud of the success of the event. About 400 guests were present, and the enjoyable program was warmly received by an appreciative audience. The artists were Mrs. M. E. Beardsley, Mr. Ferguson and Mr. Dennis, vocalists; Miss Mabel Hawke, reader; Miss Pratt, pianist. Addresses were made by Grand Master Workman E. F. Danforth, Past Master Workman Phelan of Maine and District Deputy Blanchard of Boston. Refreshments were served and dancing was enjoyed from 10 to 12. The floor director was E. W. Masters, assisted by M. E. Beardsley and W. W. Bruce. Music was furnished by the University City orchestra.

WABAN.

—Mr. T. R. Raymond spent the 22nd at his home here.

—The King's Daughters meet today at four o'clock, with Miss Wood.

—The Boys' Club meet this afternoon at four o'clock in the choir room.

—Services in the church on Wednesday at 4:30 p. m. and Friday at 7:30 p. m.

—Mr. S. R. Reading, after being confined several weeks, is out and around again.

—The ladies meet at Mrs. J. H. Robinson's today at 2 p. m., to sew for the fair.

—Mrs. Mansfield and daughter of Boston are now occupying Mr. W. C. Strong's block.

—In the "Pageant of the Year," given at Newton Highlands last Tuesday evening, many from here took part.

—The mayor has been authorized to sell the city farm and buildings here. A new almshouse will be built at Oak Hill.

—Mrs. A. W. Vose of Beacon street passed away early last Sunday morning. An account of her death is given in this paper.

—The entertainment committee met at Mrs. L. M. Flint's last Wednesday morning, to begin preparation and arrange for the fair.

—The Triangle Club will meet next Thursday evening, by invitation of Mr. and Mrs. William Saville the meeting will be held at their home.

—At 7:30 o'clock this evening in the church the rector begins a series of "homilies." His homily this evening will be "On Keeping Quiet." All are invited.

—Bishop Lawrence visited here last Friday and confirmed a class of ten people in the Church of the Good Shepherd. The church was filled and the service was hearty. The bishop preached a simple and impressive sermon, which will not soon be forgotten.

—The Men's Club met last Thursday at the residence of the Rev. Wm. Hall Williams. There were twenty at the table and after supper Mr. Louis K. Harlow read a charming paper describing an Areadian trip, which he took some years ago. The name Beacon Club was adopted.

Death of Josephine Vose.

Mrs. Mary Josephine Woodworth Vose, daughter of Geo. L. Woodworth of Newtonville, and wife of Arthur W. Vose, died at her home in Waban early last Sunday morning. Her death came as a shock to the community, as it was not generally realized that she was dangerously ill. Last November Mr. and Mrs. Vose lost their only child, an infant daughter, and the anxiety and grief which attended this period of trial told severely upon Mrs. Vose's health. In spite of her remarkable courage and constant endeavor to bear up under her sorrow for the sake of those about her, there were indications of severe prostration, and this condition eventually prepared the way for complications, which proved fatal.

She was born in Newton on the twenty-sixth of June, 1869, and almost her whole life was spent in this city. She was educated in the Newton schools and graduated from the High school in the class of '90. She was married June 6th, 1894, to Arthur Willard Vose of Newtonville, and immediately after their marriage the young couple came to their attractive home on Beacon street, Waban.

Here they formed immediately intimate and lasting friendships, and Mrs. Vose's death makes a break in a circle which has been held together by neighborly sympathies and personal affinities of a rare order. So devoted are her friends that it seems to them almost as though the loss were within their own households.

Even those who were not privileged to know her in these close ties recognized her amiable qualities. She entered with a lively enthusiasm into many interests and showed a generous willingness to be helpful in every good work which needed her aid. She possessed remarkable executive abilities and was an able leader in every undertaking that enlisted her energies.

She had a special aptitude for managing children and they responded most gladly to her direction.

In her home, (not to speak of that devotedness which brought so much happiness to the family life,) Mrs. Vose loved to exercise hospitality, and her welcome was always genuine. The fortitude and unselfishness which she showed in the last few days of her life were only the last proof of a singularly generous and affectionate disposition.

The sympathy which all Mr. Vose's friends feel for him in this loss of his wife and child is deeper than can find expression in words and is intensified by the warmth of their personal feeling for him. The funeral service was held at her late home on Beacon street, after noon, at 2 p. m., by Rev. Wm. Hall Williams officiating. The burial was in the Newton cemetery.

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Referring to the petition addressed to your Company, dated Aug. 27th, 1898, signed by this Association and residents of Newton Highlands and Newton Centre, requesting that you extend your line through Centre St. to the B. & A. crossing at Walnut St., Newton Highlands, we beg to advise, that at a meeting of the Executive Committee of this Association on Jan. 16th, it was unanimously voted to urge your Company to take immediate action to secure from the Board of Aldermen, a location for a track from Newton Highlands through Centre and Paul Sts. and over Cypress St. bridge, connecting with your tracks at Newton Centre, so that cars may be run direct to the Boston line from our village without change.

It is the universal request of all the residents of Newton Highlands that this may be done. The Street Railway accommodations now afforded are not satisfactory.

Respectfully yours,
Newton Highlands Improvement Association.
By Benj. F. Butler, Jr., Secretary.
Seward W. Jones, President.
L. P. Leonard, Chairman.

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She was pale and thin, but might have been pleasing had she not been ghastly with the motion of the ship, for there had been quite a swell on for the hour we cast off. As it was, she lay back, indifferent to life or death or the receding world, and received as to the manner born the kindly attention of Mrs. Prideaux, who has crossed so often that she is as much at home at sea as on shore.

"Who is she?" I said to my sister, observing her case.

"My maid, Annis Beecher," she answered, and she afterward told me she had engaged the young woman the week before because she had shown a pretty knack in the arrangement of hair and the designing of gowns, the young woman having also declared that she did not know what sickness was. She told the truth perhaps. She did not know at that time. She had evidently found out since. And Mrs. Prideaux, half compassionate and half amused, was by way of winning eternal gratitude in seeing that the deck steward made the young woman comfortable and in not happening to think of mentioning the relation between them. My sister had been visiting at a country house which some of our American friends, desiring to try English life, had taken for a few seasons when she first came across the girl Annis Beecher, the daughter of a laborer on the neighboring estate of the Earl of Saverleigh, ill-fed, scantily clothed and running wild.

The good housekeeper at the castle had presently sent for her to take some subordinate position and, noting her aptitude, had promoted her till a chance brought her to the attention of the old countess, after which she was more or less about that personage, waiting on her and reading to her. She had been taught at the village school, and, quick to mark and heed, she soon acquainted and familiarized herself with the gentle movements, the low voices of the drawing room and the observance of the table. Then her father had received some injury, I believe, and she had been obliged to leave these pleasant places and go back to the cottage and care for him, feeling sharply, it may be, the contrast, the rough tone, the rude habit, the hardship, too, and the unloveliness of life. When he died, another lady ruled at Saverleigh, and without a relative in the world, with a heart aching with ambitions and desires and with nothing before her but service, she had conceived the happy thought of procuring a reference from the old housekeeper and had begged Mrs. Prideaux, who was then visiting her friends again, when she should join me at Southampton to let the service be with her. Perhaps she thought that in the life over here, which gives all a chance, she would find her own. But certainly she could not have had no idea of playing any other part in it than that of a skillful lady's maid, which was in itself a great step on the ladder of life for the young factotum of the housekeeper. There may have occurred to her, however, when in any interval of comparative ease, after she had been brought on deck, she saw certain of the young girls gayly promenading with as much of their war paint and feathers as wind and weather permitted and realized with her quick wit a difference between their ways and manners and the exquisite breeding of the ladies at Saverleigh, a sense of injustice in the inequality of position, and it is possible she felt a sudden purpose spring within her soul.

Owing to her very violent seasickness, she had had no opportunity of seeing me with my sister, and she had no idea that the solitary individual pacing up and down the deck was related to her mistress. But at one time when the ship had given an unexpected lurch I chanced to hinder her, limp and helpless, from falling out of her chair, and after that I now and then addressed her a word with the freedom of fellow passengers and hardly thought a change in my conduct worth while when I learned who she was, the more as I was some-

times homesick as seasickness," she said. "I should be homesick, too, if I had left a castle. We went over Warwick castle just before we left. I stole a sheet of note paper—at least the man saw me take it, and I tipped him. Did you often go to the castle at—Saverleigh? Did you know the earl? My! And the countess? An earl's wife is a countess? The idea! And you left all that for the sake of seeing America?"

"Fancy!" said Annis Beecher, with an effort. "And then it may be you left a beautiful home—and dear relatives—for the sake—of seeing Europe?"

"Oh, girls!" cried the questioner, on returning to her compatriots. "She knows earls and countesses and has left such a beautiful home as Saverleigh castle for the sake of seeing America!" And Annis would have been deaf not to have heard the shrill, sweet voice.

When a day or two afterward I took a vacant chair and saw that it was beside her and saw how wretched she looked, I said encouragingly, "We shall soon be in port now."

"Oh, it's not that, indeed, sir. It's to think of the whole thing over again," she sighed with languid, searick bitterness.

"Well, well, perhaps you won't have it over. You may stay on this side and not go home again."

"Not go home to Saverleigh, sir?" she exclaimed. "Noticed that some time later she dropped the 'sirs'."

"Is Saverleigh your home?"

"Oh, certainly!" she said, which was true, but might have been misleading. However, we arrived in harbor shortly after this, and Mrs. Prideaux drove to her house and I to my club. And, having various affairs to arrange, some days slipped by before I went round to my sister's. I was hardly surprised to hear her say that Annis Beecher as soon as she was sufficiently restored had manifested her eternal gratitude by announcing that she was going into a dressmaking establishment connected with a great dry goods firm, where she had called, feeling quite sure of her ability and referring to Mrs. Prideaux, and that she had further declared that she knew Mrs. Prideaux would be no obstacle in the way of her endeavor to mount another step on the ladder, that although she should repay the passage money that would not repay Mrs. Prideaux's kindness, and meanwhile made no allusion whatever to her engagement as a maid.

My sister rather enjoyed it as something unusual and occasionally went to the shop, more to watch the little drama than for anything else. But Miss Beecher always fitted her herself, and it was evident that this especial attention paid her made Mrs. Prideaux a person of much more importance in the shop than her carriage and footman and all her money could. Miss Beecher was a wonderful fitter, my sister said dolefully, with an undoubted gift for her work. She had become rounded and wholesome and attractive, and she had in the course of the year's designing and fitting been brought into close contact with so many fine ladies that she was now really quite a fine lady herself.

It was a number of months after the passage money had been repaid that, going over in the Gascogne, I saw Miss Beecher come aboard. She was escorted by a son of the head of the firm, which I afterward learned, had sent her over to see the styles and to make purchases in Paris, her talents having won her the opportunity. "Oh, no," she was saying in reply to some question from the young man. "The house allows me but six weeks, and with so much to do it will not be possible for me to take in Saverleigh. And besides"—she hesitated and buried her face in the roses she carried.

"Ah, I see," said the youth. "The earls and earlless don't approve of people who strike out in the world for themselves."

"Quite so. But the dear countess can neither approve nor disapprove now of what I do. Lady Saverleigh died last winter," with a downward glance at her gown. I noticed then that Miss Beecher wore mourning, against which her armful of red roses was effective. "But Lord Saverleigh knows," she went on, "that many of the quality—I mean the nobility and the country families"—correcting herself in time—"quite our equals, are in trade."

"And a very good thing for them."

From my cogn of vantage I took a survey of the young woman, for she afforded me an object lesson. Good living, good expectations, fine ambitions, the receipt of deference, the experience of pleasure, a lively hope, had all done well by her. She was tall and finely rounded; her clean, fair English skin and white teeth, her bright, abundant hair and clearly cut features gave her a rather decided beauty of a sort, and her appearance, while the long brown lashes swept the velvet cheek, was quite charming. But when she lifted the lids the bold and steady gaze of a pair of cold blue eyes took much of the charm away. The fact that the child of a village laborer, bred from nothing, accustomed to nothing, had such receptivity for much that aristocracy, wealth, breeding and long descent implied was an interesting feature in heredity. Where and how had the strain come in that made this possible? Could it be the mere circumstance of sex, of femininity, that rendered her superior to the clod from which she sprang? Or was she a spontaneous instance of new departure?

I wondered for a little in what way the element that gave her these capabilities came into her blood. She had evidently found her chance and improved it; she could have wasted no time; she must have gone a great deal to the theater, that picture and school of life, she must have read and reasoned, watched, observed and imitated; doubtless she could have passed an examination on the heroines of the novels of fashionable life. And then, as she appeared no more during the passage, I forgot her. I saw her, however, by accident, just before the allotted six weeks of her absence ended, but it was in London after all.

And at the opera. She was not caring for the play, I judged, or the music; her whole attention was given to the boxes. It was a night when royalty was in great evidence, and some one was with her pointing out the people of importance. I felt that not the beauty of Eames, not the majesty of the De Raske, not the marvelous echo of Voi che sapete, but the pose of the princess, the droop of the eyelash of the Duchess of Leinster, the gentle hauteur of Lady Brooke, remembrance of the clothes of the professional beauties and of the way they wore them were what she would carry away with her.

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comparing the horses to the Saverleigh stud and was not surprised to overhear. As I passed round into an adjoining box: "Ah, no, it is quite broken up. Ours was a great hunting country, don't you know. But the stables are closed. Lord Saverleigh is not living, you may have heard. The titles were in the male line, and they have lapsed, and an American has bought the castle. Fancy!"

"Hard on you now, I call that," said her companion.

"It is sad, but it is so," she sighed. "I shall never see Saverleigh again. I couldn't bear to see it, don't you know." And the filmmaker began to jump.

My sister showed me shortly after this a pretty trifle which Miss Beecher had brought her from Paris, where she now made the yearly trip for the establishment, and which she had begged Mrs. Prideaux to accept as a token of sensibility to kindness received since first coming to this country—kindness which had made it possible for her to rise on the ladder of life and kindness which she now felt would never fail her. And then I heard no more of this young woman till a year or so had passed and I was called into a case involving an attempt to defraud the government of duties on a quantity of costly lace.

The firm employing Miss Beecher was the party answerable to the charges, and I went to represent my sister, whom Miss Beecher had requested to certify to her respectability, she having brought over the lace.

Her distress was so evident, but her attestations were so quiet and well bred that her innocence impressed young Van Benthuyzen, who appeared for the government prosecutor. "I entered it as I thought I should, as I did last year," she said, the blue eyes softened with their brimming tears. "How can I expect to know your constantly changing laws?"

"In these days," said the head of the firm, "when many of the nobility of Europe are bettering themselves in business, we have felt ourselves fortunate in having an English lady of Miss Beecher's rank and associations—and birth at the head of our dress department. But it hardly seems to me that we should expect the same familiarity with our customs laws as with laces and velvets from one of the family of the Earl of Saverleigh."

"This lady?" said Van Benthuyzen. She bowed. "A member of the earl's household," she murmured half inaudibly so that one heard only the word "earl" with distinctness. Then she raised her head haughtily—that was her innocence of the smuggling—and looked at me, her cold eyes melting into something like a beseeching smile. That was her appeal for my silence.

I have no class prejudices, but I plead a love of truth in general. Here, however, it did not seem as if the balance of the universe were to be disturbed. Perhaps if I had foreseen the future—but I am not sure. A pretty woman in distress has a claim superior to some considerations of right and wrong, and nature enforces it. "My sister, Mrs. Prideaux, has been a friend of Miss Beecher's for some years," I said. "And I beg to assure you that it is quite impossible to consider this charge in relation to her. As the firm is ready to meet the demands of the government I think you will be quite within the law, Van Benthuyzen, if you accept its proposals."

"I will make such report," said he. "And no one can regret more than myself the unpleasant duty that was forced upon me here." And after a short conversation with us in general and a few words in particular to Miss Beecher he took himself and his papers off.

"A fine fellow, young Van Benthuyzen," said the head of the firm. "In training for political life. Blood will tell—as I'm sure you make us feel, Miss Beecher. He is one of the old Knickerbocker stock. His father, the general—fine upright old fellow—was minister at the court of—concerned if I remember just where. But he's a millionaire times over, and he boasts that there's no bluer blood than his this side

of Amsterdam. But I reckon we can see him and go one better, eh, Miss Beecher?"

A great bunch of orchids, of a species grown only in the Van Benthuyzen's orchid houses, that I saw on Miss Beecher's dress at a Philharmonic attested possibly young Van Benthuyzen's appreciation of this sangre azul of hers a little later. Some one said she had developed a quite surprising knowledge of orchids—orchids, she had said, were a fad of the earls, and it was said that it was on a visit to these orchid houses that she met other members of the Van Benthuyzen family.

I do not, however, know accurately anything about that. But in these days one is surprised at nothing. And so possibly I ought to have felt no astonishment when in the course of a few months my sister, coming in from her carriage with Miss Cortlandt, opened a billet containing wedding cards. "Think of it! General Van Benthuyzen! Is it possible that he has married again, and to whom? Let me see—Miss Anne Beauchamp. Very aristocratic sound! I wonder who she is, now!"

I looked over Mrs. Prideaux's shoulder. "It is the way they spell Beecher in England," I said.

"Why, haven't you heard?" cried Miss Cortlandt. "It isn't half a bad thing, Brenton says. People thought it was Van at first, but he isn't in it. She hasn't any money. But, then, the old general has enough for two, with a moderate degree of economy, you know. She is still young and very well looking, dresses perfectly; quite well connected, too. I hear the general will have her presented at the next drawing room after they go over unless they go first to Italy. She is a member of the family of the Earl of Saverleigh."

And neither I nor Mrs. Prideaux smiled.

"Don't you think an impoverished and long descended Italian prince would do well by himself if he married the very wealthy widow of an American general?" said my sister to me once after reading her foreign mail. "A connection of the Earl of Saverleigh has a right to marry among princes. Our princess will not be exactly an example of ground and lofty tumbling."

"No; only of climbing a ladder into the clouds," I said.

"Well, you cannot say my maid and I have not furnished you entertainment—very pretty petite comedie."

"If it is not rather that high tragedy which makes the angels weep," I said.

THE END.

A Boy and His Knife.

A pocket-knife was returned to the hardware man with a blade broken off short. "How did you break the blade?" asked the hardware man. "I broke it while cutting a little soft pine stick," said the man, who, like our beloved Washington, never told lies about his hardware. "Very well," said the hardware man, "I will give you another and return your broken knife to the manufacturer." Soon after this a small, well dressed boy came in and threw down a 25 cent knife, which also had a blade that had come to grief, and the boy said, "Knife's no good." "What is the trouble?" asked the hardware man. "I broke it whittling on a little pine stick," said the boy, who was a regular attendant at a Sunday school. "You shall have another, my boy."

During the week there were three additional knives returned, all of which had been broken cutting little pine sticks, and each of the purchasers was given a new knife. But one day a ragged little fellow came into that store and said: "I broke that knife you sold me and I want to buy another. It was a good knife, but I tried to get a cork out of a bottle with the small blade, and I broke the large blade trying to split a big hickory stick."

The hardware man threw his arms around the little boy's neck, and in a voice choked with emotion said: "Take a dozen knives, my dear little fellow, a bicycle, a fishing rod, a sled and anything else that you would like to have. You are the first one to return a pocket-knife to me that did not say it was broken by being used to whittle a little pine stick."—Hardware.

The Force of Habit.

"My friend," said the benevolent citizen, "you ought to break away from your present mode of existence."

"Mister," said Meandering Mike, "you've sounded de keynote of me ambitions. I'm tired o' dis life."

"I'm glad to hear you say so."

"Yes, sir. I've been doin me best to live on no meals a day for de last 36 hours, an I'm willin, wit de help of any'ting from 10 cents up, ter reform."

"I am afraid that it is habit that brought you to this. Beware of habit!"

"Looky 'ere, mister. You don't need to warn me. I'm as scart of habit as anybody dat travels. I know wot habit'll do for a man. I had a friend onced dat got a job."

"And he lost it?"

"No, sir. He got in de habit o' workin, an now he

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NEWTON CENTRE.

—Mr. James Martin of Ward street is ill at his home.

—Mr. Luther Paul of Centre street left on Monday for Florida.

—Mr. Allen McDonald has taken a position at Richardson's market.

—Mr. C. J. Polly is closing up his carriage shop on Glen avenue this week.

—A social was held last evening at the First church and enjoyed by a large number.

—W. E. Armstrong and Lewis Murphy leave this week for a shooting trip in New Hampshire.

—The topic of the meeting at the Methodist church last evening will be "Palm Tree Christians."

—Rev. C. W. Wendte of Boston will occupy the pulpit at the Unitarian church next Sunday. Sunday school at 12 o'clock.

—Miss Clementina Butler of Crescent avenue was in Fitchburg, Wednesday, where she spoke at a missionary meeting.

—Rev. G. H. Spencer, pastor of the Methodist church, spoke Tuesday evening before the young people's society at Upper Falls.

—The King's Daughter's Circle of the Methodist church met Monday evening with Mrs. Dr. Butler at her home on Crescent avenue.

—Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Stetson entertained a large company of friends at what last Saturday evening, at their residence on Dedham street.

—The subject at next Sunday evening's meeting of the Hale Union at the Unitarian church will be "Optimism, as a Duty." The leaders are Marion Wheelock and Allen McDaniel.

—"Things we must learn to bear," will be the subject of the sermon by Rev. E. Y. Mullins at the First Baptist church on Sunday evening.

—About thirty persons from this village attended the sixth anniversary of John Eliot lodge, A. O. U. W., at West Newton, Wednesday evening.

—Mr. John Lind of Beecher place has returned from Fort Thomas, Kentucky, where he has been stationed with the 7th regiment, U. S. A.

—On Sunday, Mrs. George E. Wales of Cedar street passed away after a protracted illness. The funeral services were held by Rev. D. L. Furber and Rev. E. M. Noyes, was held Wednesday afternoon at her late residence.

—At the Unitarian church next Sunday, services will be conducted by Rev. C. W. Wendte, of Boston. Sunday school at 12 o'clock. Subject, "Optimism as a Duty." Speakers, Allen McDaniel and Marion Wheelock.

—There was a large representation of Methodists from Newton Centre at Massachusetts night of the Methodist social union in Boston, Monday. The Philomela Octet of this place appeared to good advantage, and was cordially received.

—The next of the series of entertainments to be given under the auspices of the Newton Centre Improvement Association, takes place in Associates hall, when a concert, with George A. Burdett as director, will be the offering.

—Mrs. Edward A. Ellis of Summer street, accompanied by Miss Elsie Bennett and Miss Allen of Weston, left this week for Washington, D. C., to attend the D. A. R. convention. These ladies are the delegates representing Lucy Jackson Chapter, D. A. R.

—The life-saving apparatus purchased by the Village Improvement Society, to be placed on the shore of Crystal Lake, has been gratefully accepted by the city, and will be maintained at the city's expense. It will be in the care of the police department.

—If the Newton & Boston street railway company is granted permission to construct a turnout on Centre street, it will run its cars between this place and Newton on twenty minute time. At any rate, this is the substance of its petition now before the board of aldermen. The action of the board will not be announced until the latter part of next month.

—Mr. Walter L. Macomber, 36 years, formerly of this place, died Sunday in New London, N. H., of pulmonary tuberculosis after a long illness. He was married to Miss Mary E. Barpee of that town in the summer of 1897 and spent the winter in the south in an effort to recover his health. He was a son of William Macomber of this place, and was associated with William and Francis Macomber in business in Boston, where he was well known. Mr. Macomber was a member of the Newton Centre Baptist church, and was highly esteemed by a host of friends. He leaves a wife, six sisters, four brothers. The funeral was held at New London, Wednesday, at 2:30 o'clock, and burial was in that town, where he had made his home since he was married.

—By the will of Hannah W. Loring of Centre street, this place, which has been filed for probate in the Middlesex registry at East Cambridge, a considerable sum of money will ultimately be divided between the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, the Home for Aged Men at 133 West Springfield street, Boston, the Roxbury Home for Aged Couples and the Boston Young Woman's Christian Association. The estate is valued at \$6000 real and \$150,000 personal property. The first clause gives the real estate to a sister, Mary H. Loring, to hold during her life, and at her death to be given to any home for aged females in Newton provided there is such an institution which meets certain requirements. The sum of \$1000 is to be given to the Rebecca Pomeroy home for orphan girls in Newton, and \$6000 is left to the executor, Charles E. Cotting, in trust, the income to be used for the benefit of a nephew, Joshua L. Woodward, during his life, and at his death the principal to go to the Perkins Institution for the Blind. In the residuary clause there is an addition of \$6000 to his latter bequest. The residue of the property, after some private bequests which will bring the total, with those mentioned, up to about \$45,000, is left to Mr. Cotting in trust, the income to be paid to Mary H. Loring, and at her death the principal is to be divided, with the exception of one or two private bequests, as follows: To the Pomeroy Home for orphan girls, \$1000; to the Newton Cottage Hospital, \$5000; and the remainder to be divided equally among the Massachusetts S. P. C. A., the home for aged men on West Springfield street, the Boston Young Women's Christian

Association and the home for aged couples, Roxbury.

—Mr. L. A. Vachon had a large crowd of visitors at his bicycle store on the 22d, to see the new wheels.

—Mr. John Temperley has recently added a gas engine to his printing plant at 77 Union street. It is of the upright, four cycle type, and has two fly wheels.

—The death of Mr. Jeffrey O'Connell occurred at his home on Beacon street Thursday of last week. The funeral was held on Saturday morning from the Church of the Sacred Heart.

—Mr. and Mrs. S. V. A. Hunter of Lake avenue left Monday for New York, from which point they sailed Wednesday for a trip abroad. They will join their daughter, who is studying music abroad.

—Among the interesting social events of the week was the dance given by Mr. and Mrs. William Bright, in honor of their niece, Miss Elizabeth G. Donahue, at their home on Beacon street. Many guests were invited.

—The death of Mrs. Helen C. Paine occurred on Monday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. B. E. Taylor of Grant avenue. Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon, in charge of Rev. C. A. Dickinson.

—Before an enthusiastic and patriotic audience in the congregational church Tuesday evening, Rev. Clarence Ross Gale gave a lecture on "Cuba and the Cuban War," having the advantage of a large number of fine stereoscopic views, the talk was made doubly interesting, and thoroughly enjoyable.

NEWTON HIGHLANDS.

—Arthur Logan, who has been ill for the past four weeks, is now out again.

—The C. L. S. C. will hold its next meeting with Miss Webster, Chester street.

—The West End Literary Club will meet on Monday next, with Mrs. Blanchard, Eliot street.

—Mr. Martell of Carver road has been laid up for a few days with a sprained ankle.

—Mrs. Holmes has returned from a stay of two or three weeks in New York and Philadelphia.

—Among the patents issued to New England inventors, is one to William V. Threlkeld of Circuit avenue, Eliot.

—Mr. W. E. B. Ryder has been shut up at his home for four weeks on account of an attack of the grip. He is now much improved.

—Miss Sanford, an assistant at Stewart's dry goods store, has been at home on account of illness, for two or three weeks, but is now improving.

—Mrs. Wheeler of Montford road, who was several weeks at the Newton Hospital for treatment, is at her home again, but not fully recovered.

—The funeral service of Mr. Leonard Bacon took place at his late residence on Saturday last. Rev. Mr. Havens officiated. Burial at Cambridge.

—Mr. C. Henry Adams will have two houses built on his land opposite the station at Eliot. Mr. Wellington, the builder of the terrace, will have the contract for same.

—The next meeting of the Monday Club will be with Mrs. Patterson. The lecture, which was announced last week by Ezekiah Butterworth, on "Mexico," and postponed, will be given.

—A Washington's birthday party, held on Thursday evening at the Methodist vestry for the Sunday school children and their friends, under the management of Mrs. Elliott Hyde, was a fine success.

—Mr. Thomas, of Patterson building, and Mr. Burns of Richardson's market, have formed a partnership for the conducting of a fish market at Centre place, Newton, and are filling orders for the Highlands.

—The monthly sociable of the Congregational society will be held in the chapel on Wednesday evening, March 1st. Refreshments will be served and an entertainment given, which will be in charge of the gentlemen.

—Rev. T. W. Bishop will preach at the Methodist church next Sunday morning and evening. The evening subject, "Rich towards God." Special music will be furnished by the quartet, composed of Miss S. E. Goddard, soprano; Miss Elsie Warren, contralto; Mr. W. H. Moore, tenor, and Mr. Geo. B. Warren, bass and director. Sunday school at 12. A cordial invitation to all these services.

—All Souls Unitarian church, Highland Club hall, morning service next Sunday at 10:30. Sunday school at noon. All cordially invited. Wednesday evening, March 23d, a lecture for the benefit of All Souls church will be given in Highland Club hall. Rev. Francis Tiffany of Cambridge, formerly of West Newton, will lecture on "Some Venetian Characters." Mr. Tiffany is on the editorial staff of the Boston Herald. He is the author of "Life of Dorothy Dix," "This Goodly Earth," etc. There will be special music. Admission twenty-five cents.

—A very pleasant occasion was the reception given Mr. George B. Sherman on Thursday evening of last week, at the residence of his son, Mr. G. N. Sherman, 42 Bond street. It being his sixtieth birthday anniversary. The house was thronged with his many friends, with whom he is quite popular, on account of his genial kindly way and being connected with several fraternal societies. He has been an Odd Fellow for twenty-nine years, and was presented by his associates with a watch chain inscribed with emblems of the order. By the daughters of Rebecca he was given a smoking jacket, and the Knights of Malta, of which he is a member, gave a Knight's cap. His business associates of Newton Centre, furnished the refreshments. Refreshments were served during the evening, and an orchestra supplied instrumental music. The receiving party included Mr. G. B. Sherman, Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Sherman and Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Polly, and from 8 to 11 o'clock greeted the guests. The ushers were T. McLean, George Munroe, George Kirkley, Albert Reed and Gardner Sherman. Presiding over the refreshment tables were Mrs. A. R. Gardner, Mrs. Richard Wight and Mrs. George Munroe, assisted by Miss Bertha Scott, Miss Maude Woodman, Miss Bertha Snyder of Toronto, Canada, and Miss Mabel Sherman. Hemphill's orchestra furnished music.

AUBURNDALE.

—The Newton Boat Club closed its share of bowling in the Circuit League last evening, by defeating Mangus at Wellesley Hills, two games out of three.

—Dr. Edward J. Parker, en route for California, writes: "The train crew were gloomy when we left Denver, expecting to

be snow-bound in the mountains. Through the Eagle canon and the Royal gorge and up the climb to Leadville, 10,000 feet altitude, and the trip took 10,418 feet, it was all the rotary snow plow and three engines could do to pull us through. I saw as many as fifteen avalanches which had been cut through. In the canon of the Grand Canyon a train had been completely buried, and it had required ten days to clear the road for traffic. At times the snow was on a level with the roofs of the cars. As we neared the station at Glenwood Springs, at the western mouth of the Grand river canon, our engines blew a tremendous salute, and the inhabitants responded with rousing cheers for the first train in ten days. We were rather dilapidated, covered with snow, and with broken windows, but we were happy, because the road was open at last."

—For other news see page 7.

NEWTON HIGH'S ANNUAL MEET.

BROOKLINE HIGH DEFEATED IN THE TEAM RACE, THE MAIN EVENT.

The Newton High school Athletic Association held its annual meet in the High school armory in Newtonville, Wednesday evening. Owing to the rivalry existing between Brookline high and the home school, the event of the evening was the team race between these two, Newton winning after a very hot finish, Thompson, Newton's last man, landing the race by only two feet.

In place of the usual potato race a fine exhibition of club swinging was given by Prof. James Burns of Newtonville.

This year dash, closed—First heat, G. H. Daniels, time 48.5; second heat, F. S. Marshman, 41.5; third heat, F. L. Thompson, 48. Final heat, won by F. L. Thompson, time 48.5. Second heat, F. L. Thompson, 48.5. Final heat, won by F. L. Thompson, time 48.5.

Thirty-yard dash, open—First heat, M. L. Bernstein, H. A. A., 48; second heat, J. W. Sawyer, 48. Final heat, won by M. L. Bernstein, H. A. A., 48; second, J. W. Sawyer, 48.

Team race, Brookline High vs. Newton High—won by Newton High (F. L. Thompson, H. F. Greene, R. W. Leatherbee, G. H. Daniels, E. W. Leonard, C. F. Bowers). Time—1m. 40s.

Three hundred-yard run, open—First heat, M. L. Bernstein, H. A. A., 40.35s.; second heat, E. O. Haas, H. A. A., 39.45s.; third heat, J. W. Sawyer, M. L. F., 41.15s.; fifth heat, N. M. McMaster, M. L. F., 39.25s. Final heat, won by M. L. Bernstein, H. A. A., 39.25s.; second, N. M. McMaster, 39.25s.

Six hundred-yard run, open—First heat, R. P. Priest, M. L. F., 1m. 31s.; second heat, E. B. Neilson, H. A. A., 1m. 30.35s. Final heat, won by E. B. Neilson, H. A. A., 1m. 29.35s.; second, R. P. Priest, 1m. 30.35s.

Shot put, won by F. L. Thompson, distance 30ft. 1 1/2 in.; second, H. W. Kennedy, distance 29ft. 1 1/2 in.

Six hundred-yard run, closed—Won by D. W. Howe, time 1m. 31.35s.; second, C. F. Bowers.

Lasell Notes.

A party to the Saturday evening symphony concert, Frauline Staven accompanied by the members of the club.

Among the best entertainments of the year, at Lasell, must be counted that given last Saturday evening, under the direction of the Lasellia Club. Mr. Lealand Powers gave "Katherine and the Land of the Shrew," in which his ability as a reader and impersonator found ample field for exercise. The shrewish Kate, and her madcap bridegroom, in whose madcap antics so much of method, were admirably presented; and even the minor characters of the play were finely individualized and most humorously shown. As after pieces, Mr. Powers gave a short selection of comic characters. "Calling on Margaret," and recited a short poem of Kipling's. After the entertainment was over there was given in the parlor a reception to the reader by the members of the club.

A small party went on Sunday with Miss Hotchkiss to the Central Congregational church, Boston. The German students of the more advanced classes had on Monday evening the opportunity of attending a German play given in Roxbury. Frauline Staven accompanied the party.

Washington's birthday was celebrated at Lasell by an unusually good dinner, and a very entertaining after-dinner program, consisting of music, vocal and instrumental, recitations and toasts. The dinner was so much of method, with the national colors, and the tables with flowers and ferns. The students were in evening dress with powdered hair. Dr. Gallagher was master of ceremonies, and the following program was given.

Sung by the school. The National Debt to Washington. Toast: Little Breeches, recitation. Miss Kendrick. Toast: Miss Grace Hough on Lasell and February Twenty-second. Toast: Miss Miliken. Piano Solo, Miss Lathrop. The Patriotic Spirit, Toast. Dr. Winslow. The Face I Love Best, recitation. Miss Horstner. Education and the Future of Our Country. Toast. Miss Currie. The Rose, Song. Miss Gallagher. The Duet, recitation. Miss Fry. The Star Spangled Banner, Solo. Miss Lathrop. The instruction in parliamentary law on exercises to constitute part of the weekly program at chapel hour.

Work in the advanced classes this week: Bread, whole wheat bread, and buns.

Newton Education Society.

Those who heard Professor William A. Ward's address before the Newton Educational Association in the hall of the Hunnewell Club last Monday evening, must have felt that "the training of the future citizen" means a great responsibility for our public schools.

The speaker felt that it should be the aim of teachers to inspire their pupils with the idea that the object of the education should be to fit them for lives of service in the community. In closing Professor Ward made a plea for art education in our school buildings, believing that the love of art tends to strengthen the good and pure in human nature.

After the address, President Bothfield called for a general discussion and asked Mr. Aldrich, representing the schools, to tell us what our Newton schools are doing along the lines mentioned by Professor Ward. Mr. Aldrich said he thought that all our teachers felt the responsibility of the moral training of children far more than we realized, and that he also thought that manual training was a long step in this direction, as pupils doing this work were taught accuracy and honesty. He felt strongly that cooking lessons should be given in our public schools, and that while our school committee did not at present favor it, the time would come when public sentiment would demand it. He paid a high tribute to the late President Walker of the Institute of Technology, as one who believed that much more could be taught the child through the hands than was generally realized. Mr. Aldrich seemed to feel that our public schools had not made a general advancement in ideas proportionate to the improvements which had taken place in inventions and along general business lines during the past few years, and prophesied that the public school of the future would surprise many of us by the great accuracy and honesty.

With this end in view he exhorted his audience not to be surprised at innovations or additions, to what seemed to many, the necessities of our public education.

Those who attended the meeting must have felt they gained very much information upon our present school problems.

The Street Railway Petitions.

Newton Highlands, Mass., Feb. 23rd, 1899.

To the Editor of the GRAPHIC:—

In view of the recent articles in your paper, both in the form of letters and editorials, it might be well to call attention to the fact that there is another petition before the Board of Aldermen for a street railway location other than that of the Newton and Boston Street Railway Company. The citizens of Newton Highlands petitioned the Commonwealth Avenue Street Railway Company in August last to extend its tracks to this village. At that time the above company did not see its way clear to comply with the request of the petition. The people of Newton Highlands, however, being thoroughly dissatisfied with the street railway accommodations which they had, brought great pressure to bear, and used all the influence they had with the Commonwealth Avenue Street Railway Company and sent to them a further petition in January of this year. The company yielded at this time and put in the petition to the Board of Aldermen upon which a hearing is to be held upon March 6th next. I think it should be clearly understood that this petition was put in at the earnest solicitation of what I believe to be much more than a majority of the citizens of Newton Highlands, and the Commonwealth Avenue Company in complying with this petition have simply acceded to the wishes of the residents of this village. We were surprised to find another company putting in a petition over exactly the same route in a part of the way, and a petition put in we firmly believe merely for the purpose of preventing the Commonwealth Avenue Company from receiving its location.

The second petition put in for a route over Beacon Street would be a longer route in distance and time to a connection with the cars of the Boston Elevated Railway, and would merely parallel the line of the Commonwealth Avenue Company. The line on Beacon street from Newton Centre to the Reservoir is opposed almost unanimously by the citizens of Newton Centre and by a large majority of the residents along the route, and as the residents along the route do not desire the accommodation there can be no other object in putting in this petition than to prevent Newton Highlands from a direct connection with Boston over the line of the Commonwealth Avenue Company.

In view of this attempt to prevent the Commonwealth Avenue Company from complying with the unanimous wish of this village, I sincerely trust that the Government, looking to the wishes of the citizens only, will not grant this parallel line and thus further gridiron the city with street railways in locations absolutely unequalled for.

SEWARD W. JONES.

Woodland Park Hotel.

At the reunion of the G. A. R. Post at Temple hall, Tuesday evening, Feb. 14th, Mr. Butler furnished a collation for 200 people.

Mr. H. B. Earle of West Newton gave a very pretty party at the Woodland Park Hotel, Thursday evening, Feb. 16th. Dancing was enjoyed until a late hour, a collation being served during the evening.

Mr. Butler served a dainty lunch at the studio of Mr. Breck in Auburndale, Friday evening. Mr. Breck entertained friends from Boston and vicinity on that evening. The letter carriers of Newton held a banquet at the Woodland Park Hotel, Saturday evening, Feb. 18th. Twenty-five of Uncle Sam's boys were present and spent a most enjoyable evening. The menus were most appropriate in design, and likewise the hostmaster, Edw. A. Ellis was the guest of honor.

Nearly 90 people sat down to the supper furnished by Mr. Butler at the Congregational club at Newtonville, Feb. 20.

The fourth in the series of Woodland Park parties was held at the Woodland Park Hotel, Saturday evening, Feb. 18th. The occasion was the most successful of any held this season in that series. Notwithstanding the inclement weather a large number were present. Tapered torches reigned supreme, and all seemed to enjoy to the utmost the pleasures of the evening.

A bowling tournament, under the direction of Mr. C. Shedd was held in the Casino, Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 22d.

Mr. Butler furnished a large collation at Mr. Heath's residence, Highland avenue, Newtonville, for Mr. H. W. Milliken, Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 22d.

The following were registered during the week: W. A. Beal, W. W. Dixon, Chicago, Ill.; C. E. Fitzgerald, Baltimore, Md.; Camp Humphreys, Brookline, Mass.; Dr. and Mrs. F. W. Elliott, and Dr. and Mrs. J. T. Cutter, Boston, Mass.; W. S. Fitz, 2d, Cambridge, W. W. Deering, and Mrs. Deering, Boston; Mrs. C. B. Porter, and Mrs. E. E. Porter, Boston; N. Biddle, W. Appleton, R. Brewer, H. F. Fiske, Cambridge; Miss A. F. Chapin, C. E. Munroe, M. H. Cleary, Daniel Nolan, W. H. Pratt, Edson, Mrs. L. E. Gurley, and Miss Gurley, Troy, N. Y.

A party consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Daniels, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Morse, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Herbert J. Watson, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Almy, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Gorton, the out to the Woodland Park Hotel for a game dinner, one evening last week.

Mr. Willis Bamstead is in New York this week.

IN THE TULE

By Bret Harte

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He had never seen a steamboat in his life. Born and reared in one of the western territories, far from a navigable river, he had known only the "dug-out" or canoe as a means of conveyance across the scant streams whose fordable waters made even those scarcely a necessity. The long, narrow, hooded wagon, drawn by swaying oxen, known familiarly as a "prairie schooner," in which he journeyed across the plains to California in 1853, did not help his conception by that nautical figure. And when at last he dropped upon the land of promise through one of the southern mountain passes he halted all unconsciously upon the low banks of a great

yellow river and a tangled brake of strange, red-like grasses that were unknown to him. The river broadening as it deluged through many channels into a lurching sea of mud, he found the prospect "good" according to his lights and prairie experiences, and converting his halted wagon into a temporary cabin he resolved to rest here and "settle." There was little difficulty in so doing. The cultivated clearings he had passed were few and far between; the

land would be his by discovery and occupation; his habits of loneliness and self-reliance made him independent of neighbors. He took his first meal in his new solitude under a spreading willow, but so near his natural boundary that the waters gurgled and oozed in the reeds but a few feet from him. The sun sank, deepening the gold of the river until it might have been the stream of Tacloitus itself. But Martin Morse had no imagination; he was not even a gold seeker; he had simply obeyed the roving instincts of the frontiersman in coming hither. The land was virgin and unoccupied. It was his. He was alone. These questions settled, he smoked his pipe with less concern over his 3,000 miles transference of habitation than the man of cities who had moved into a next street. When the sun sank, he rolled himself in his blankets in the wagon bed and went quietly to sleep.

But he was presently awakened by something which at first he could not determine to be a noise or an intangible sensation. It was a deep throbbing through the silence of the night; a pulsation that seemed even to be communicated to the rude bed whereon he lay. As it came nearer it separated itself into a labored, monotonous panting, continuous but distinct from an equally monotonous but fainter beating of the waters, as if the whole track of the river were being coiled and trodden by a multitude of swiftly trampling feet. A strange feeling took possession of him, half of fear, half of curious expectation. It was coming nearer. He rose, leaped hurriedly from the wagon and ran to the bank. The night was dark. At first he saw nothing before him but the steel black sky pierced with far spaced, irregularly scattered stars. Then there seemed to be approaching him from the left another and more symmetrical constellation; a few red and blue stars high above the river, with three compact lines of larger planetary lights flashing toward him and apparently on his own level. It was almost upon him; he involuntarily drew back as the strange phenomenon swept abreast of where he stood, and swopt itself into a dark set airy bulk, whose vagueness, topped by enormous towers, was yet illuminated by those open squares of light that he had taken for stars, but which he saw now were brilliantly lit windows. Their vivid rays shot through the reeds and sent broad bands across the meadow, the stately wagon and the slumbering oxen. But all this was nothing to the inner fire they disclosed through lifted curtains and open blinds—which was the crowning revelation of this strange and wonderful spectacle. Elegantly dressed men and women moved through brilliantly lit and elaborately gilt saloons; in one a banquet seemed to be spread, served by white jacketed servants; in another were men playing cards around marble topped tables; in another the light flashed back again from the mirrors and glistening glasses and decanters of a gorgeous refreshment saloon; in smaller openings there was the shy disclosure of dainty white curtains and velvet lounges of more intimate apartments.

Martin Morse stood enthralled and mystified. It was as if some invisible Asmodeus had revealed to this simple frontiersman a world of which he had never dreamed. It was the world—a world of which he knew nothing in his simple rustic habits and profound western isolation—sweeping by him with the rush of an unknown planet. In another moment it was gone. A shower of sparks shot up from one of the towers and fell all around him and then vanished even as he remembered the set piece of Fourth of July fireworks had vanished in his own rural town, when he was a boy. The darkness fell with it too. But such was his utter absorption and utter breathless preoccupation that only a cold chill recalled him to himself, and he found he was standing mid-leg deep in the surge cast over the low banks by this passage of the first steamboat he had ever seen.

He waited for it the next night, when it appeared a little later from the opposite

direction, on its return trip. He watched it the next night and the next. Hereafter he never missed it—coming or going—whatever the hard and weary preoccupations of his new and lonely life. He felt he could not have slept without seeing it go by. Oddly enough, his interest and desire did not go further. Even had he the time and money to spend in a passage on the boat and thus actively realize the great world of which he had only these rare glimpses, a certain proud, rustic shyness kept him from it. It was not his world, he could not affront the snubs that his ignorance and inexperience would have provoked, and he was dimly conscious, as so many of us are in our ignorance, that in mingling with it he would simply lose the easy privileges of alien criticism. There was much that he did not understand.

One night, a lighter one than those previous, he lingered a little longer in the moonlight to watch the phosphorescent wake of the retreating boat. Suddenly it struck him that there was a certain irregular splashing in the water quite different from the regular, diagonally crossing surges that the boat swept upon the bank. Looking at it more intently he saw a black object turning in the water like a porpoise and then the unmistakable upflitting of a black arm in an unskillful swimmer's overhand stroke. It was a struggling man. But it was quickly evident that the current was too strong and the turbulence of the shallow water too great for his efforts. Without a moment's hesitation, clad as he was in only his shirt and trousers, Morse strode into the reeds, and the next moment, with a call of warning, was swimming toward the now wildly struggling figure. But from some unknown reason as Morse approached him nearer the man uttered some incoherent protest and desperately turned away, throwing off Morse's extended arm. Attributing this only to the vague convulsions of a drowning man Morse, a skilled swimmer, man-

aged to clutch his shoulder and propped him at arm's length, still struggling, apparently with as much reluctance as incapacity, toward the bank. As their feet touched the reeds and slimy bottom the man's resistance ceased, and he lapsed quite listlessly in Morse's arms. Half lifting, half dragging his burden, he succeeded at last in gaining the strip of meadow and deposited the unconscious man beneath the willow tree. Then he ran to his wagon for whisky.

But to his surprise on his return the man was already sitting up and wringing the water from his clothes. He then saw for the first time by the clear moonlight that the stranger was elegantly dressed and of striking appearance and was clearly a part of that bright and fascinating world Morse had been contemplating in his solitude. He eagerly took the proffered tin cup and drank the whisky. Then he rose to his feet, staggered a few steps forward and glanced curiously around him at the still motionless wagon, the few felled trees and evidence of "clearing," and even at the rude cabin of logs and canvas just beginning to rise from the ground a few paces distant and said impatiently: "Where the devil am I?"

Morse hesitated. He was unable to name the locality of his dwelling place. He answered briefly: "On the right bank of the Sacramento."

The stranger turned upon him a look of suspicion not unmingled with resentment. "Oh!" he said with ironical gravity, "and I suppose that this water you picked me out of was the Sacramento river. Thank you!"

Morse with slow western patience explained that he had only settled there three weeks ago, and the place had no name.

"What's your nearest town then?" "That ain't any. That's a blacksmith's shop and grocery at the crossroads 20 miles further on, but it's got no name as I've heard on."

The stranger's look of suspicion passed. "Well," he said in an imperative fashion which, however, seemed as much the result of habit as the occasion, "I want a horse, and pretty d—d quick too."

"Hain't got any."

"No horse? How did you get to this d—d place?"

Morse pointed to his slumbering oxen.

The stranger again stared curiously at him. After a pause he said with a half pitying, half humorous smile: "What—aren't you?"

Whether Morse did or did not know that this current California slang for a denizen of the bucolic west implied a certain contempt, he replied simply: "I'm from the county, Missouri."

"That," said the stranger